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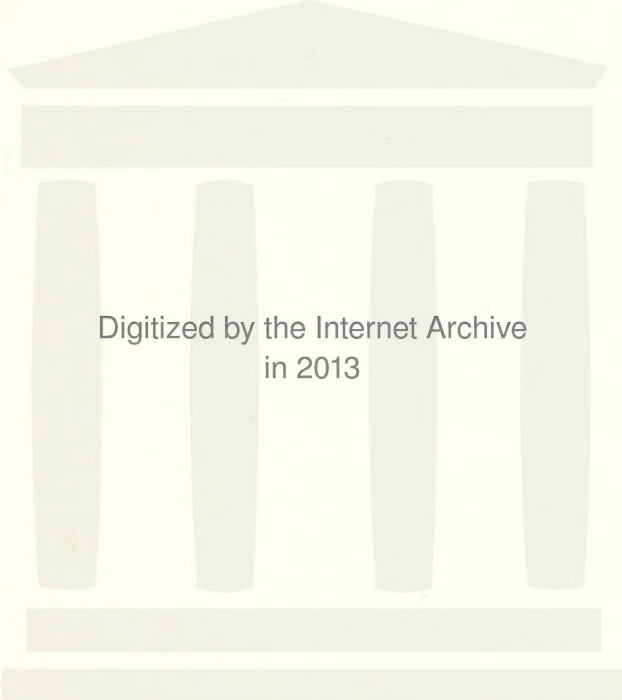


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MINUTES

OF THE

WEST CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

THE BAPTIST CHURCH AT BRANTLEY'S GROVE,

HERTFORD COUNTY, N. C..

October 27th, 28th and 29th, 1896.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT SESSION.

*The next session will be held with the Church at
Mars Hill, in Bertie County, beginning on
Tuesday after the 4th Sunday in
October, 1897.*

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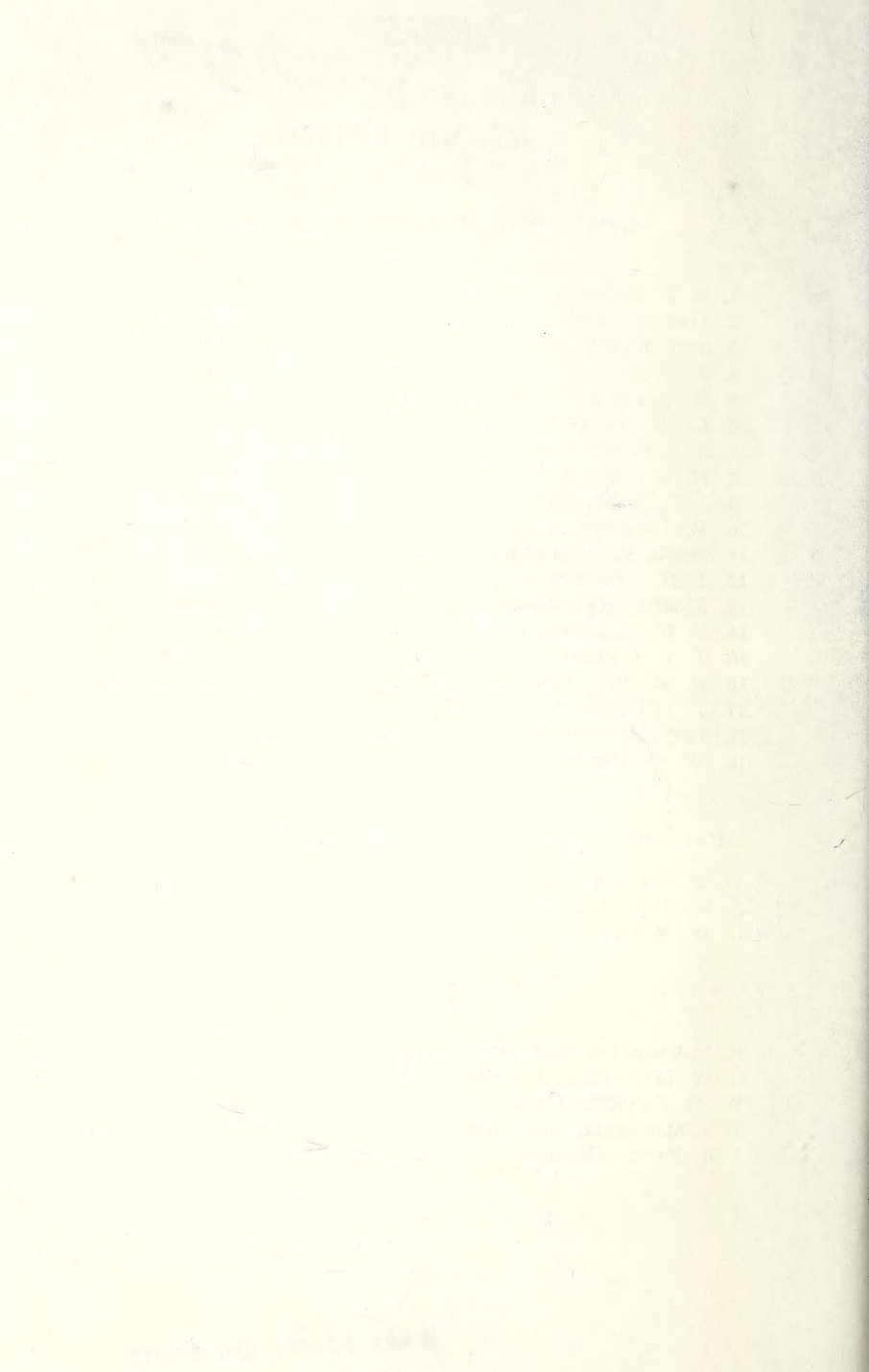
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4. A. CREE.....	Seaboard,	"
5. R. D. CROSS.....	Windsor,	"
6. L. M. CURTIS.....	Aulander,	"
7. J. C. FLEETWOOD.....	Margarettsville,	"
8. M. L. GREEN.....	Ahoskie,	"
9. J. N. HOGGARD.....	Severn,	"
10. B. LEGGETT.....	Windsor,	"
11. JESSE R. MATHEWS.....	Hexlena,	"
12. J. B. NEWTON.....	Aulander,	"
13. SAMUEL SAUNDERS.....	Murfreesboro,	"
14. C. W. SCARBOROUGH.....	Murfreesboro,	"
15. T. T. SPEIGHT.....	Lewiston,	"
16. B. B. WILLIAMS.....	Harrellsville,	"
17. J. T. RIDDICK.....	Winton,	"
18. T. C. BRITTON.....	Bethlehem,	"
19. W. O. PETTY.....	Murfreesboro,	"

PASTORS, BUT NOT RESIDENTS IN THIS ASSOCIATION.

W. P. JORDAN.....	Hertford,	N. C.
J. W. POWELL.....	Rocky Mount,	"
G. W. WHITE.....	Rocky Hock,	"

OFFICERS.

R. P. THOMAS, <i>Moderator</i>	Bethlehem,	N. C.
C. W. MITCHELL, <i>Vice-Moderator</i>	Aulander,	"
W. R. RAYNER, <i>Clerk</i>	Rosemead,	"
J. S. MITCHELL, <i>Treasurer</i>	Winton,	"
J. K. FANT, <i>Historian</i>	Ahoskie,	"



CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as the NORTH CAROLINA WEST CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERSHIP.

ART. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with, said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: *Provided*, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECTS.

ART. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

ART. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

ART. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice; or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons; or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements; or upon application of a church for dismission.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

ART. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.



ART. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving—1. Locality. 2. The names of its pastor and clerk, and their respective post offices. 3. The Sabbaths of regular service. 4. The church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female. 5. Sabbath School statistics. 6. Amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund. 7. Names of delegates and alternates. 8. Any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

ART. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS.

ART. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at the time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order; and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of established parliamentary usage.

ART. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

ART. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of the same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

ART. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of the same.

ART. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the Minutes a historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

ART. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by the votes of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after the organization.

2. This committee to have the right to interpret the meaning of the Constitution. [Adopted 1889, and ordered to be embodied in the Constitution.]

Resolved. That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.
2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.
3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.
4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.
5. No member shall absent himself *temporarily* without leave of the Moderator, nor *finally* without leave of the body.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.
7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.
8. No committee shall be in session during the hours of business without permission from the body.
9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Tactics.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

- 11:00 A. M. Introductory Sermon.
 12:00 M. Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
 12:30 P. M. Recess.
 2:00 P. M. Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize. Read Constitution. Call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session. Receive new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint committees.
 8:00 P. M. Report on Temperance.
 3:30 P. M. Report on Periodicals.
 4:00 P. M. Assignment of Homes. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

- 9:30 A. M. Devotional Exercises.
 10:00 A. M. Routine Business.
 10:15 A. M. Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.
 11:00 A. M. Report on Education.
 11:45 A. M. Report on State Missions.
 12:30 P. M. Recess.
 2:00 P. M. Convene. Routine Business.
 2:10 P. M. Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
 2:30 P. M. Report on Baptist Orphanage.
 3:15 P. M. Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

- 9:30 A. M. Devotional Exercises.
 10:00 A. M. Convene. Routine Business.
 10:15 A. M. Report on Home Missions.
 11:00 A. M. Report on Church Statistics.
 11:15 A. M. Report of Committees. Miscellaneous Business. Adjournment.



PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY:

TUESDAY, October 27, 1896.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met in its fourteenth annual session this day with the church at Brantley's Grove, Hertford county.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by R. D. Cross. Text: Ephesians 1: 17, 18, 19, 20.

After sermon, R. P. Thomas, Moderator of last session, called the Association to order, read Ephesians 4, and B. Craig led in prayer.

The former Clerk being absent, W. R. Rayner was elected Clerk *pro tem*.

The roll of churches was called, and the delegates enrolled, as follows:

Ahaskie—W. H. Jernigan, D. E. Newsome, J. W. Dildy, C. S. Cowin.

Aulander—A. W. Early, E. Rice, C. W. Mitchell.

Bahamy—Joseph E. D. Perry, A. Bass.

Bethlehem—R. P. Thomas, Augustus Bass, James E. Mathews.

Brantley's Grove—W. H. Bryant, J. B. Modlin.

Buckhorn—S. D. Howell, J. E. Biddle, E. J. Sears.

Capehearts—J. C. Mizell, H. J. Ward, G. W. Cobb.

Cashie—D. E. Modlin, *W. L. Privott, W. R. Cobb.

Cedar Branch—*J. C. Sexton, W. F. Simpson.

Chowan—Thomas D. Boone, *J. O. Ward; alternates, W. P. Taylor, G. A. Brown.

Christian Harbor—D. P. Hoggard, *Thomas E. Cale; alternate, Perry White.

Coleraine—G. M. Mathews, *W. E. Miller, M. D. Harrell.

Conners—Josiah Early, B. B. Lassiter, W. A. Jenkins, J. P. Slade.

Copeville—W. J. Bridgers, *F. C. Allen.

DuBois Grove—John W. Dildia, *Joseph C. Williams; alternates, J. H. Lassiter, J. S. Holoman.

Eden—T. J. Tarice, E. W. Woodruff, D. M. Stephenson.

Galatia—D. W. Taylor, Nezzie Davis, W. M. Lewton.

Green's N Roads—J. J. Mizell, G. W. Castellow.

Harrellsville—B. F. Williams, T. Q. Copeiland.

Hebron—A. J. Vinson, R. L. Carter, Solomon Parker.

Hill Side—F. M. Thomson, S. Bunch.

Happy Grove—L. W. Mitchell, J. H. Bowen.
Jackson—R. W. Fleetwood, Charlie Newsome.
Lawrence's A Roads—J. W. Langdale, A. E. Leicester; alternate,
 E. B. Robinson.
Leviston—W. J. Early, A. J. Askew.
Margarettsville—D. E. Bridgers, Benjamin Stancell.
Mars Hill—W. R. Rayner, Kader Bass, W. D. Perry, G. H. Powell.
Meherrin—C. H. Chitty, *T. M. Joyner, H. T. Parker.
Mount Carmel—J. S. Harris, H. T. Boyd, J. C. Stephenson.
Mount Tabor—A. J. Parker, *W. T. Brown, *W. H. Kiff.
Murfreesboro—K. S. Deloatch, G. D. Payne.
Pine Forest—W. H. Camp, J. R. Carstarphen.
Pleasant Grove—T. J. Snipes, *C. W. Parker, M. L. Taylor; alter-
 nate, W. W. Jenkins.
Pitecasi—C. R. Harrell, A. E. Peele, G. M. Powell.
Republican—G. W. White, J. H. Burden, C. J. Joyner, Levi Hog-
 gard.
Rich Square—W. J. Lassiter, A. J. Rountree.
Roanoke—John P. Hollomon, J. B. Parker; alternate, C. E. Lassiter.
Robert's Chapel—D. N. Stephenson, D. C. Hedgpeth, Jesse B. Vick,
 McM. Long.
Roquist—J. E. Tadlock, H. W. Evans.
Ross—K. P. White, W. D. White, M. B. Morris, C. W. White.
Sandy Run—A. T. Liverman, P. C. Jenkins, J. C. Tynes.
Seaboard—R. E. Stephenson, John T. Maddrey.
Siloam—*B. Leggett, *Ebenezer Leggett.
St. Johns—T. J. Teaster, W. E. Jenkins; alternate, R. S. Blanchet.
Union—N. H. Lawrence, J. E. Britt.
Winton—James S. Mitchell, J. F. Newsome.
Severn—W. H. Pruden, W. H. Howell.

The Moderator announced the following Committee on Credentials:

A. W. Early, A. I. Parker, J. E. Mathews, A. E. Peele and D. E. Modlin.

On motion, the Association adjourned for refreshments until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

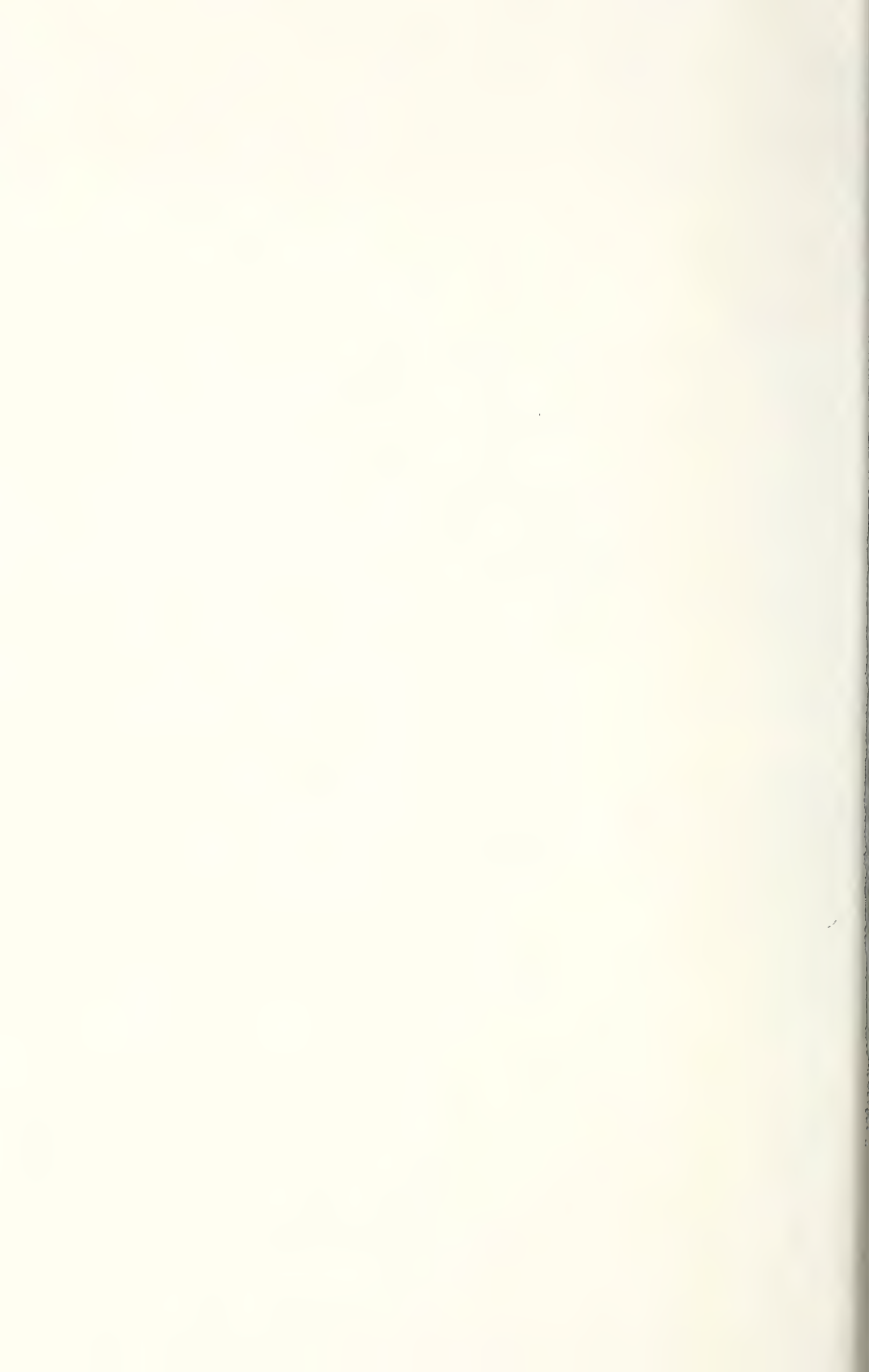
The Association re-assembled at 2 o'clock, and engaged in singing.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the churches in accord with the Constitution.

The Association proceeded to the election of officers for the present session, which resulted as follows:

R. P. Thomas, *Moderator*; C. W. Mitchell, *Vice-Moderator*; W. R. Rayner, *Clerk*; J. S. Mitchell, *Treasurer*; J. K. Fant, *Historian*.

*Absent.



The Clerk read the Constitution.

Under the call for new churches, the Severn Baptist church made application for admission into this body, which application was referred to a committee consisting of A. Cree, T. T. Speight and L. M. Curtis, which committee was permitted to retire in order to make their report.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, which invitation was accepted by J. C. Caddell, representing the *Biblical Recorder*; J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary; S. F. Conrad, from Pilot Mountain Association; John Mitchell, Secretary of Board of Education; B. Craig, from Virginia; J. M. Forehand, of the Chowan Association; T. C. Britton, Missionary to China.

The committee on the application of Severn church for admission into this body, reported, unanimously recommending its reception.

The report was received, and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship and welcome to its delegates.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

On Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Brantley's Grove church.

On Finance—C. R. Harrell, W. P. Tayloe, B. F. Williams.

On Time, Place and Preacher for Next Session—J. W. Mitchell, Solomon Parker, G. M. Mathews.

Samuel Saunders presented the following

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee would respectfully submit the following:

By *temperance* we ought to mean total abstinence. It must practically mean that if it amounts to anything. We think several things are essential to real temperance:

First, total abstinence on the part of the individual. Because of inherited weaknesses and tendencies, and because of conditions unfavorable to sobriety, the only way many persons can be temperate is to be total abstainers. They can no more use intoxicants temperately than can turpentine or lint cotton use a flame of fire temperately. The example and influence of the man who uses intoxicants temperately are bad, perhaps worse than if he used them intemperately. It may not hurt him so much, but it hurts others more.

Another essential to true temperance is prohibition on the part of the Government. This for the State—total abstinence for the individual.

A third essential to temperance is an attitude and spirit in fullest accord with the foregoing in our churches, and especially in our homes. Indeed, if we had this essential we would be sure to have, in no very long time, the first two essentials. And for these we should always earnestly work and pray. We have no means of knowing certainly whether any progress in this good work has been made in the past year within the bounds of our Association.

SAMUEL SAUNDERS,
For Committee.

The report was adopted without discussion.

R. D. Cross presented the following

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

All nations have been stirred to their noblest deeds and achievements by their literature. The printing press has been one of the most powerful factors for civilizing and christianizing the world, and much of this has been through periodicals.

Our religious periodicals have been a most potent factor in our Christian progress and denominational growth. From these we get much of our information, which lies at the foundation of all intelligent work, and is essential to our highest usefulness as God's servants; our unity in doctrine and practice, which is shown by our sympathetic and harmonious moves in God's work; and our impetus for the work, which, by a recital of the needs and emulation of noble deeds of others, brings us closer to each other and to God.

Most prominent among these we recommend:

1. *Charity and Children*, a paper owned by our State Convention and published at the Thomasville Orphanage, which is essential to a proper understanding of the work of the institution, and is worthy of a place in every home.

2. *The Foreign Mission Journal* is necessary for an understanding of our mission work in various lands.

3. We recommend to our people the Sabbath-school literature published at Nashville, Tenn., by our Southern Baptist Convention. It can be bought at our Sabbath-school Supply Store in Raleigh, N. C. It is as good as the best, belongs to us, and all the profits are turned over to mission work.

3. *The Biblical Recorder*, owned by Edwards & Broughton and edited by J. W. Bailey, is one of the best edited papers of our State, and of the religious weeklies of our country it is second to none. It has always been good, but is better now than it has ever been before. For power of definition and clearness of statement the editor has few equals. His orthodoxy is sound, and his position well defined. If this paper could be read by all our people, our Zion would double her strength. *Take it, and read it.*

R. I. CROSS, for Com.

This report was discussed by J. C. Caddell, T. C. Britton, T. T. Speight and John Mitchell, after which it was adopted.

On motion, the order of business was suspended,



and the Association passed an order that the Committee on Finance sit during the session of the body.

On motion, the order of business was suspended to allow the Committee on Hospitalities to assign homes to the delegates.

The Association then adjourned until 9:30 A. M. to-morrow. Benediction by Dr. John Mitchell.

W. P. Jordan preached at the stand.

SECOND DAY

WEDNESDAY MORNING, Oct. 28, 1896.

The Moderator called the Association to order at 10 o'clock A. M. Prayer by A. Cree.

The records of the previous day were read by the Clerk.

L. M. Curtis presented the following report on

CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The Chowan Baptist Female Institute is an educational inheritance of noble and generous spirits of the past generation. Most of these liberal-minded donors have passed over the river. This institution, the only property owned by the Baptists of the State for the higher education of our daughters, is a sacred trust to the present generation—to be faithfully kept and handed down to posterity, not only unimpaired, but improved and enlarged, with ever widening possibilities. It is not only interwoven with our history, and imbedded in our traditions, but has enriched both. It is an important element of our social, intellectual and religious life; and we can no more afford to neglect this God-given agency than we can afford to shut the light of day from our homes. Through all the years since it was established, this noble institution has been our greatest and most efficient human instrumentality for uplifting and enlightening our daughters.

Administrations change, but institutions remain. Since the establishment of the Institute in 1848, she has had a succession of noble and worthy presidents who have given us able and acceptable administrations—Forey, Hooper, McDowell and Brewer have all given us efficient and praiseworthy administrations, and brought the denomination under lasting obligations to their names and memories, and the hope is reasonably cherished that the present administration, under President W. O. Petty and his corps of faithful teachers, will not fail to maintain the high character and reputation which have from the beginning been the pleasing distinction of this noble institution.

A CLOUD.

We cannot repress the sentiments of sorrow at the recent and sudden death of Mrs. Scarboro, the efficient and tenderly beloved teacher in the department of Natural Science. This sad event, which occurred last Sunday (Oct. 25) has cast a deep gloom over all our hearts. We sympathize with the Institute in this sore affliction, and extend our hearts' tenderest condolence to the grief-stricken husband, our beloved brother, Elder C. W. Scarboro.

Whether this Institution shall continue her career of ever expanding usefulness and enlarge her horizon of refining culture and christian education, will depend upon the devotion, loyalty and patronage of our people.

The patronage of the present session is neither a matter of special congratulation nor of sore disappointment. It might and should be better, and it could be worse. Two causes conspire to a limitation of patronage, viz., the depression in finance and the seeming want of wide spread co-operation of our people.

1. Your committee recommend that a committee be appointed to take into consideration the matter of needed internal improvements of the Institute.

2. That this committee confer with the Old Chohan Association, and if they think it expedient, to confer with the Portsmouth Association.

3. That this committee report to the next session of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. CURTIS,

For Committee.

The report was discussed by L. M. Curtis and C. W. Scarboro, and adopted.

A Cree presented the following report on

STATE MISSIONS.

Taking all the interests of our Master's kingdom into view, the most-necessary and the most important work in which the Baptists of North Carolina are engaged, is the work of State Missions.

The mission work of the first disciples was (according to the Lord's instructions) not to the Samaritans, nor by way of the Gentiles, but to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. The church at Jerusalem, and the health and extension of the home work, became the centre and circulating heart of the notable missionary enterprise of the first Christians. God has given our greatest missionary field at our own doors, and according as with prayer and holy diligence we cultivate that field, will it become reproductive of the means and energies to overtake the wider fields beyond.

Listen to a brief summary of last year's spiritual work:

The missionaries were 106; the sermons and addresses delivered amounted to upwards of 2,000; mission churches supplied, 335; out stations supplied, 1,246; additions by baptism and letter to the 355 mission churches, fully 3,000; new churches constituted, 50; new Sunday-schools organized, 187. These results, which do not tell the whole story of the good done, for the report is incomplete, give us every reason to thank God and go forward.

The Baptists cannot afford to neglect any part of the work which



God has committed to them—least and last of all, can they afford to diminish their zeal and energy in the work of State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD CREE, } Com.
M. L. GREEN. }

The report was discussed by J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary.

On motion, the time for State Missions was extended ten minutes.

There was a cash collection taken which amounted to \$36.71. J. E. Ray made a speech of a few minutes. The roll of churches was called and pledges taken for State Missions for the coming year, as follows:

PLEDGES FOR STATE MISSIONS.

Ahoskie.....	\$40 00	Lewiston.....	10 00
Aulander.....	30 00	Margarettsville.....	6 00
Bethany.....	5 00	Mars Hill.....	20 00
Bethlehem.....	30 00	Meherrin (paid).....	12 00
Brantley's Grove.....	10 00	Mount Carmel.....	15 00
Buckhorn.....	30 00	Mount Tabor.....	20 00
Capeheart's.....	10 00	Murfreesboro.....	10 00
Cashie.....	35 00	Pine Forest.....	10 00
Chowan.....	25 00	Pleasant Grove.....	20 00
Christian Harbor.....	3 00	Potocasi.....	12 00
Coleraine.....	25 00	Republican.....	20 00
Conaritsa.....	20 00	Rich Square.....	25 00
Creeksville.....	5 00	Roanoke.....	8 00
Dudley's Grove.....	1 00	Robert's Chapel.....	30 00
Galatia.....	12 00	Roquist.....	5 00
Green's X Roads.....	3 00	Ross.....	12 00
Harrellsville.....	10 00	Seaboard.....	15 00
Hebron.....	10 00	St. John's.....	10 00
Hill Side.....	3 00	Severn.....	2 00
Holly Grove.....	10 00	Union.....	25 00
Jackson.....	10 00	Winton.....	15 00
Lawrence's X Roads.....	10 00		

On motion, the report was adopted.

C. W. Scarboro presented the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Why should an Association of delegates from Missionary Baptist churches have a report on and discuss the subject of education? What is it to us? Why not leave it to the State to say what kind, and how much education our children shall have?

We are social beings in our instincts. Our Lord would have us create society, and it would please Him for us to get the best that is in society, provided society is built upon the teachings of Jesus of Nazareth.

More intelligence can never create society fit for a Christian to enjoy. We covet for our children that education of head and of heart which will give to society, first of all, a Christian, then a Baptist, intelligent, not only in a general way, but able, and not ashamed, to give a reason for the faith that is in him.

We are citizens of the State. We have upon us obligations and duties to the State. We can't afford to be unfaithful or inefficient in the discharge of these responsibilities. On the other hand, we may not forget that our citizenship is in heaven. To lend ourselves to, or to allow ourselves to be used, to promote any system of education which tends to weaken the devotion of our children to the principles taught by Christ would be to sin against the coming generations, and against God.

As a denomination we are peculiar: we believe something. Our views of Christian life and doctrine came down from above; Christ has made it our duty to teach these views, and for them to contend. Every Christian parent, to the extent of his ability, owes it to Christ to give his child the best possible training for his life's work, and while the training is going on to see that the child has the highest standards or ideals of life kept before him. "There can be no ideal more worthy than the life and thought of Christ." In the school room character is being built up around our ideals as frame work. What, then, can be more important than a positive Christian education, an "education that assumes Christ's estimate of all things, and seeks to develop manhood in the light of His ideals and by His methods, and inculcates his truths as the fundamental truths of personal and social character"?

Such education ought to be in demand among us, and neither the State nor a religious denomination, other than our own, can furnish what we need. Our sympathy, our money, our children, belong to schools over which the Great Teacher presides. Such schools our fathers have given. They are as good as the best within our reach. Let us look upon them with loving interest, strengthen and enlarge them, and keep them for Him whose we are, and whom we serve. We reaffirm our unalterable opposition to the present policy of the State in appropriating money to higher education by schools in competition with private and denominational schools.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH.

The report was discussed by John Mitchell, after which the roll of churches was called and pledges taken:

PLEDGES FOR EDUCATION.

Aulander.....	\$20 00	Harrellsville.....	8 00
Bethany.....	2 00	Hebron.....	5 00
Bethlehem.....	15 00	Holly Grove.....	10 00
Buckhorn.....	25 00	Jackson.....	2 50
Capeheart's.....	5 00	Lewiston.....	3 50
Cashier.....	10 00	Margarettsville.....	1 00
Chowan.....	20 00	Mars Hill.....	10 00
Coleraine.....	5 00	Meherrin (paid).....	5 00
Conaritsa.....	10 00	Mount Garmel.....	5 00
Elam.....	10 00	Mount Tabor.....	5 00

THE MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

EAST DURHAM, N. C., June 18. 1896.

DEAR BROTHER:

Below find a statement, in brief, of the work done by the Ministers' Relief Board since its organization. Please look over it, and tell your people about it; and if you, and they are not satisfied with what has been done, ask them to help us more; and ask more of them to help us. We are gratified, but not satisfied, with the work done already.

NAME OF BENEFICIARY.	ASSOCIATION.	When Received on Board.	When Died.	How Long on Board.		Amount Received.	Amount Asked for per Year.	No. in Family.
				Year.	Mo.			
Rev. Jesse Howell.....	Raleigh.....	1891	.....	5	.....	\$ 212 00	\$ 120 00	3
Mrs. C. F. Humphries.....	Flat River.....	1891	.....	5	.....	232 00	400 00	5
Rev. B. H. Phillips.....	Beulah.....	1890	1890	.....	.....	.....	Left to Board.	5
Mrs. B. H. Phillips.....	Beulah.....	1891	.....	5	.....	297 00	.....	1
Rev. James Proomfield.....	King's Mountain.....	1891	1892	1	.....	60 00	25 00	1
Rev. J. W. Gore.....	Cape Fear.....	1891	1893	2	6	85 00	25 00	1
Rev. J. B. Barlow.....	Eastern.....	1891	1893	2	3	88 00	75 00	1
Rev. Wm. Harris.....	Elkin.....	1891	.....	5	.....	178 00	60 00	1
Rev. O. Churchhill.....	Sandy Creek.....	1891	1893	2	.....	105 00	96 00	1
Rev. W. C. Owens.....	Union.....	1891	1892	1	.....	78 00	75 00	1
Mrs. F. S. Powell*.....	Roberson.....	1891	1893	1	.....	92 50	180 00	1
Rev. T. Harrison.....	Richmond.....	1891	1895	4	.....	120 00	Left to Board.	1
Rev. J. H. Layton.....	Mount Zion.....	1892	1893	1	.....	35 00	25 00	1
Rev. James Hughes.....	Elkin.....	1892	.....	4	.....	98 00	60 00	1
Rev. W. J. Combs.....	Elkin.....	1891	.....	5	.....	180 00	Left to Board.	1
Rev. J. G. Barkley.....	Tar River.....	1893	1896	2	3	110 50	.....	1
Mrs. S. J. Gore.....	Eastern.....	1894	1894	.....	.....	7 50	.....	1
Mrs. R. A. Churchill.....	Sandy Creek.....	1894	.....	2	3	127 50	60 00	1
Mrs. J. Barlow.....	Eastern.....	1894	.....	2	.....	82 50	60 00	1
Rev. J. M. Register.....	Bladen.....	1895	1895	.....	7	22 50	Left to Board.	1
Mrs. H. Spivey.....	Eastern.....	1895	.....	1	4	40 00	.....	1
Rev. H. W. Wooten.....	Elkin.....	1895	.....	1	.....	19 00	20 00	1
Mrs. H. C. Register.....	Bladen.....	1896	.....	.....	3	10 00	60 00	1
Rev. J. H. Lewellen.....	Yadkin.....	1895	.....	.....	6	20 00	72 00	1
						\$2295 00	\$1886 00	58

We have been asked for \$1,886 for the 58 above, which we could not supply. Shall we still refuse them what they ask for? Brethren, help us.

* Married.

J. F. MACDUFFIE, Cor. Sec.

On motion, the report was adopted without discussion.

B. Craig offered the following report on the

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage, located at Thomasville, calls for the most generous support of every church within our bounds, for nothing appeals to our sympathy more than the cries of a helpless child, and yet twelve of our churches reported nothing for Orphanage last year. We have accomplished much in the past in the way of educating and caring for our helpless ones, but we have reached the point when we must enlarge our work. No one can know the condition of things without realizing the great need of a "central building," where all teachers and children can meet together, and more of the home life be given to the children.

Your committee would earnestly recommend to the churches, that they raise, as speedily as possible, the small amounts apportioned to them for the erection of a "central building."

Your committee would recommend to the Sunday-schools of this Association, that they take a collection for the Orphanage once a month, and that they endeavor to raise a definite amount each month. We would also call your attention to *Charity and Children*, the organ of the Orphanage, as deserving a place in every home in the land.

BRAXTON CRAIG, Com.

The Association was addressed by B. Craig and J. B. Boone, Manager.

On motion, the list of churches was called to see how much had been raised on the Central Building. \$293.36 was the amount.

C. W. Scarborough moved that the Executive Committee of this Association be authorized to prepare an inscription for the West Chowan Tablet (provided the \$500 is raised for the Central Building), so that the tablet may be put in that building.

On motion, the report was adopted.

T. T. Speight offered the following

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

At no time perhaps in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention has the Foreign Mission work been under such a cloud as it is to-day.

Our people have been educated to the great need of the heathen; but the great question of to-day is not the need of men to go and preach to them, but how shall we get the means to sustain those that are already in the field. Our Board is greatly in need of funds to pay off a heavy debt that it has contracted.

These things have come upon us during the financial crisis, and

our duty to-day is for us to increase our energies, and, if possible, to increase our contributions; and I earnestly appeal to this Association not to make their contributions any less than they were last year.

T. T. SPEIGHT.

This report was discussed by T. T. Speight and T. C. Britton.

W. P. Jordan introduced the following:

WHEREAS, This Association has contributed enough every year since brother T. Britton first went to the foreign field for his support; and whereas, we are willing to do the same in the future; therefore,

Resolved, That we request our Foreign Mission Board to send brother Britton and wife back to their field of labor as soon as possible.

The churches pledged for Foreign Missions:

Ahoskie	\$35 00	Lawrence's X Roads.....	5 00
Aulander	50 00	Lewiston.....	10 00
Bethany	5 00	Mars Hill.....	40 00
Bethlehem	30 00	Meherrin (paid).....	15 00
Brantley's Grove.....	10 00	Mount Carmel.....	15 00
Buckhorn.....	30 00	Mount Tabor.....	15 00
Capeheart's.....	25 00	Murfreesboro.....	10 00
Cashie.....	25 00	Pine Forest.....	18 00
Chowan.....	20 00	Pleasant Grove.....	20 00
Christian Harbor (paid)...	4 00	Potecasi.....	25 00
Coleraine.....	20 00	Republican.....	20 00
Conaritsa.....	25 00	Roanoke.....	9 00
Creeksville.....	4 00	Robert's Chapel.....	50 00
Dudley's Grove.....	2 00	Roquist.....	5 00
Elam.....	20 00	Ross'.....	20 00
Galatia.....	8 00	Sandy Run.....	30 00
Green's X Roads.....	5 00	Seaboard.....	10 00
Harrellsville.....	16 00	St. John's.....	10 00
Hebron.....	15 00	Severn.....	2 00
Hill Side.....	2 00	Union.....	12 50
Holly Grove.....	10 00	Winton.....	15 00
Jackson.....	8 00		

The report, as amended, was adopted.

The Association adjourned until Thursday morning 9:30 A. M.

Benediction by Elder A. Speight.

Elder T. J. Reddick preached at the stand.

THIRD DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, Oct. 29, 1896.

After devotional exercises, the Moderator called the Association to order.

The regular order of business was taken up. The hour having arrived for the further discussion of Education, O. L. Stringfield, agent for the Baptist Female University, addressed the Association.

On motion, the further discussion was deferred until immediately after the discussion of Home Missions.

The special hour of the Orphanage having arrived, J. B. Boone and L. M. Curtis addressed the Association, after which a cash collection was taken amounting to \$16.84.

On motion, the report was adopted.

C. B. Williams offered the following report on

HOME MISSIONS:

The work done by the Southern Baptist Convention is embraced under the following five points:

(1) Among the Indians: There are several thousand Indians living in the territory of the South and to these the Home Board is giving the gospel of Christ.

(2) Among the foreign population: In Missouri, Louisiana, Texas, and many other Southern States, there are Germans, Irish, Spaniards, French, Chinese, etc. The Home Board is giving them the gospel.

(3) Among the Negroes: The South is their home, and to them we should give the gospel, and make them better citizens, lift them to that position an American should fill.

(4) To build chapels and churches in Southern cities. These are centres of power and influence, and hence their atmosphere should be pierced with steeples and spires dedicated to God.

5. In Cuba. This work is temporarily suspended by the Spanish and Cuban war; but let us pray that God will soon restore peace to the "Queen of the Antilles."

C. B. WILLIAMS, for Com.

After an address from C. B. Williams, the list of churches was called and pledged as follows for the coming year:

PLEDGES FOR HOME MISSIONS.

Ahoskie	\$10 00	Mars Hill	10 00
Aulander	20 00	Meherrin (paid)	5 00
Bethany	3 00	Mount Carmel	5 00
Bethlehem	10 00	Mount Taber	5 00
Brantley's Grove	5 00	Murfreesboro	10 00
Buckhorn	10 00	Pine Forest	3 00
Capeheart's	5 00	Pleasant Grove	10 00
Cashie	7 00	Potecasi	5 00
Chowan	10 00	Republican	10 00
Christian Harbor	2 00	Rich Square	5 00
Connaritsa	10 00	Roanoke	2 00
Galatia	5 00	Robert's Chapel	15 00
Green's X Roads	2 00	Roquist	5 00
Harrellsville	5 00	Ross'	7 00
Hebron	5 00	Sandy Run	10 00
Hill Side	2 00	Seaboard	5 00
Holly Grove	4 00	St. John's	3 00
Jackson	3 00	Severn	1 00
Lewiston	5 00	Union	12 50
Margarettsville	4 00	Winton	10 00

On motion, the report was adopted.

The hour having arrived for the farther discussion of Education, Samuel Saunders and O. L. Stringfield addressed the body, after which the report was adopted.

Report on Church Statistics.

On motion, the Association passed over the above report.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next session, report as follows:

Place, Mars Hill Baptist Church, Bertie County.

Time, Tuesday after the 4th Sunday in October, 1897.

To Preach the Introductory Sermon, T. J. Reddick; Alternate, A. Cree.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. MITCHELL,
SOLOMON PARKER, } Com.
G. M. MATHEWS,

On motion, the report was adopted.

J. S. Mitchell offered the Treasurer's Report.



TREASURER'S REPORT

From October 29, 1895, to October 27, 1896.

Received from Finance Committee, 1895:

For Foreign Missions	\$211 38
For State Missions	207 69
For Home Missions	69 66
For Ministerial Education	76 02
For Orphanage	11 80
For Sunday-school Board	1 85
For Minute Fund	64 92
Balance in hand on Minute Fund	05

Total amount received.....\$643 35

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Paid Clerk	\$ 25 00
Paid for Printing Minutes	39 95
Paid J. B. Boone	11 80
Paid J. D. Boushall, Foreign Missions	211 38
" " " State Missions	207 69
" " " Home Missions	69 66
" " " Sunday-school Board	1 85
Paid John Mitchell for Ministerial Education	76 02

Total amount paid out.....\$643 35

JAMES S. MITCHELL,

Treasurer West Chowan Association.

Adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received during the session for Minute Fund	\$ 64 92
" " " for State Missions	160 97
" " " for Education Board	85 68
" " " for Foreign Missions	173 40
" " " for Home Missions	68 22
" " " for Orphanage	10 23

Total.....\$563 42

On motion, R. P. Thomas was elected to represent this Association at the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention. In case of failure on his part to attend, L. M. Curtis was elected alternate.

The Moderator announced the following.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Temperance—J. K. Fant, A. E. Peele, A. Bass.

Periodicals—A. Cree, M. L. Green, S. F. Bristoe.

C. B. F. Institute—C. W. Scarborough, J. B. Newton, J. S. Mitchell.

State Missions—T. T. Speight, W. P. Jordan, J. C. Fleetwood.

Education—R. D. Cross, B. B. Williams, J. S. Harris.

Ministers' Relief Board—C. W. Mitchell, A. J. Parker, B. F. Williams.

Baptist Orphanage—Samuel Saunders, A. W. Early, T. J. Tayloe.

Foreign Missions—L. M. Curtis, Dancy Cale, D. N. Stephenson.

Home Missions—J. T. Riddick, G. W. White, S. D. Howell.

Church Statistics—W. P. Tayloe, M. L. Tayloe, R. W. Fleetwood.

Executive Committee—L. M. Curtis, C. W. Mitchell, W. R. Rayner, J. S. Mitchell, J. K. Fant.

CORRESPONDING MESSENGERS.

To Chocoma Association—R. D. Cross, T. T. Speight, C. W. Scarborough.

To Portsmouth Association—Samuel Saunders, A. Cree, J. T. Riddick.

To Tar River Association—L. M. Curtis, W. O. Petty, J. K. Fant.

A resolution of thanks was tendered by the Association to the church and community for the magnificent hospitality received at their hands.

On motion, the Association adjourned.

After singing "Grant us, Lord, to meet again," T. C. Britton pronounced the benediction, and the Moderator declared the session adjourned.

R. P. THOMAS, MODERATOR.

W. R. RAYNER, Clerk.



APPENDIX.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WEST CHOWAN SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The West Chowan Sunday-school Convention met in its seventh annual session with Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, in Northampton County, August 28th, 29th and 30th, 1896.

Introductory sermon was preached by J. K. Fant, from Matt. 20: 6. Subject, No place for idlers.

The roll call showed 48 schools represented.

SUBJECTS DISCUSSED.

1. How may the teachers increase the attendance upon the Sunday-school and the interest upon its work? Discussed by Sam R. Buxton, J. K. Fant, C. W. Scarborough, R. T. White and C. W. Mitchell.

2. What are the hindrances to a successful Sunday-school? Discussed by C. W. Mitchell, C. W. Scarborough, W. J. Fleetwood, R. T. White, D. W. Britton and A. Cree.

3. The gatherings under the shade tress. Who compose them, and what effect do they have on the Sunday-school? Discussed by M. L. Green.

4. Dropped out.

5. The best method of increasing Sunday-school contributions, and how should they be used? Discussed by J. G. Joyner and Andrew Peele.

Nex session meets with Republican Baptist Church in Bertie County, Friday before the 5th Lord's day in August, 1897.

To preach introductory sermon, A. Cree; alternate, D. Cale.

To preach Sunday at 11 A. M., C. W. Scarborough;
alternate, J. K. Fant.

D. W. BRITTON, *President.*

J. H. EVANS, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF W. M. S. OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION:

The Woman's Missionary Society of the West Chowan Association met with that body at Brantley's Grove Baptist Church, in its second annual meeting, October 28, 1896. The meeting was presided over by the President, Miss Grace T. Brown.

After a responsive Bible reading, Rev. T. C. Britton led in prayer.

The following letters were read:

Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, by Miss Margaret Little.

Miss Lottie Moore, by Miss Mary Vann.

Rev. J. M. Reynolds, by Mrs. Julian Brown.

The roll call was responded to by six societies.

Total report, \$126.43.

Rev. Jno. E. White addressed the meeting on missions.

The following officers were re-elected:

Miss Grace T. Brown, President.

Miss Margaret Little, Vice-President.

Miss Mollie Parker, Secretary.

The meeting adjourned to meet at Mars Hill Church in 1897.

MARGARET A. LITTLE,

Secretary pro tem.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Location and Date of Constitution.	Additions.					Losses.					White Males.	White Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.	Grand Total.
		Baptism.	Letter.	Restored.	Letter.	Expulsion.	Death.	White Males.	White Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.					
Ahoscie.	Hertford, 1812.	5	20	5	12	10	10	113	219	332						332
Antander.	Bertie, 1860.	3	4	4	4	3	12	103	133	236						236
Bethany.	Bertie, 1881.		1	2	1	2	3	64	65	129						129
Bethlehem.	Hertford, 1825.	20	6	2	4	3	3	100	139	239						239
Brantley's Grove.	Hertford, 1877.	12	3	3	4	3	1	4	77	122						122
Buckhorn.	" 1837.	4	1	2	4	5	4	97	97	189						189
Capeheart's.	Bertie, 1824.	3		5	9	8	3	105	175	280						280
Cashie.	" 1773.	11	17	1	6	2	4	90	153	243						243
Cedar Branch.	Martin, 1851.	4		2		5		37	69	106						106
Chowan.	Hertford, 1895.	17	15		1	1	1	33	42	75						75
Christian Harbor.	" 1881.	16	1	14	1	13	2	68	62	130						130
Coleraine.	Bertie, 1780.	12	9	6	8	3	2	107	154	261						261
Connaritsa.	" 1789.	24	2	3	2		3	149	29	408						408
Creeksville.	Northampton, 1892.	6		1		1	2	45	44	89						89
Dudley's Grove.	Hertford, 1894.	1	2		1	1		13	22	35						35
Elam.	Northampton, 1844.	1			1	3	2	67	140	207						207
Galatia.	Northampton, 1859.	16	1	3	7	2	3	99	128	227						227
Green's X Roads.	Bertie, 1874.		1		3	2	1	67	87	154						154
Harrellsville.	Hertford, 1875.	1	5	1	4	2	3	42	60	102						102
Hebron.	Northampton, 1856.	23	14	2	3	6	5	130	136	266						266
Hill Side.	Bertie, 1885.		6				1	25	21	46						46
Holly Grove.	" 1804.				3	3	1	38	84	122						122
Jackson.	Northampton, 1882.		4		1			25	42	67						67
Lawrence's X Roads.	Bertie, 1874.		7	2	4	4	3	62	78	140						140
Lewiston.	" 1883.	14	2		7	7		57	70	127						127
Margaretsville.	Northampton, 1889.	1		1	1			24	22	46						46
Mars Hill.	Bertie, 1854.	18	1	5	9	6	3	179	171	350						350
Meherrin.	Hertford, 1773.	1	3	3	10	3	5	133	190	323						323
Mount Carmel.	Northampton, 1826.		1		4	2	3	89	112	201						201
Mount Tabor.	Hertford, 1839.	36		4		1	1	121	150	271						271
Murfreesboro.	" 1842.		7		10	11	3	41	55	96						96
Pine Forest.	Northampton, 1888.					4	2	22	38	60						60
Pleasant Grove.	Hertford, 1837.	9	3	2	6	1	4	107	123	230						230
Potocasi.	Northampton, 1808.	23	9	1	9	2	9	130	205	335						335
Republican.	Bertie, 1803.	24	3		7	1	2	139	249	388						388
Rich Square.	Northampton, 1854.				4			75	105	178						178
Roanoke.	Northampton, 1885.	10	4		3		2	56	68	124						124
Robert's Chapel.	Northampton, 1848.	38		2	27			160	218	378						378
Roquist.	Bertie, 1878.	6		2	4		1	39	45	82						82
Ross.	" 1804.	54		8	6	2	6	244	382	632						632
Sandy Run.	" 1750.	6	4	4	8		7	100	157	257						257
Seaboard.	Northampton, 1889.			1	13		3	37	50	87						87
Siloam.	Bertie, 1885.				1	1	5	28	44	72						72
St. John's.	Hertford, 1883.	25	1	1	9	1	1	51	58	109						109
Union.	" 1885.	10	1	1	3		1	65	73	138						138
Winton.	" 1873.			2	6	1	2	59	77	136						136
Severn.	" 1896.							21	21	42						42

PASTORS, CLERICS AND SABBATH OF PREACHING.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Clerics and their Post Offices.	Sabbath of Preaching.
Ahoskie	J. K. Fant	B. E. Copeland, Ahoskie	1
Aulander	L. M. Curtis	C. W. Mitchell, Aulander	2, 4
Bethany		Geo. T. Pearce, Coleraine	1
Bethlehem	L. M. Curtis	A. B. Adkins, Bethlehem	1 & 3
Brantley's Grove	J. K. Fant	A. O. Kirt, Ahoskie	2 & 4
Buckhorn	C. W. Scarborough	S. P. Winborne, Como	2
Capeheart's	W. P. Jordan	G. W. Cobb, Merry Hill	1 & 3
Cashie	R. D. Cross	D. E. Modlin, Windsor	3
Cedar Branch	B. Leggett	W. A. Mobly, Jamesville	1 & 3
Chowan	Samuel Saunders	George A. Brown, Winton	3
Christian Harbor	S. F. Bristoe	J. W. Holloman, Harrellsville	3
Coleraine		H. E. Wilson, Coleraine	3
Connaritsa	T. T. Speight	C. M. Early, Aulander	3
Creeksville	D. Cale	W. H. Davis, Creeksville	1
Dudley's Grove	B. Leggett	R. E. Penwell, Aulander	1
Elam	M. L. Green	R. J. Hancock, Seaboard	1
Galatia	Dancy Cale	W. H. Allen, Seaboard	2
Green's X Roads	G. W. White	W. T. Asbell, Windsor	3
Harrellsville	J. K. Fant	J. M. Powell, Harrellsville	3
Hebron	D. Cale	R. N. Griffin, Woodland	3
Hill Side	S. B. Barnes	J. F. Whedbee, Quitsna	2
Holly Grove	S. F. Bristoe	Ervin Pritchard, Windsor	1
Jackson	A. Cree	Edwin Wright, Jackson	1
Lawrence's X Roads	S. F. Bristoe	J. W. Langdale, Sans Sauci	4
Lewiston	J. W. Powell	W. F. Merret, Lewiston	2
Margarettsville	J. N. Hoggard	A. S. Edwards, Margarettsville	3
Mars Hill	W. P. Jordau	B. W. Lee, Rosemead	4
Meherrin	J. N. Hoggard	O. Parker, Murfreesboro	1
Mount Carmel	A. Cree	J. L. Harriss, Seaboard	4
Mount Tabor	D. Cale	D. L. Parker, Mapleton	4
Murfreesboro	Samuel Saunders	Thos. A. Brett, Murfreesboro	2 & 4
Pine Forest	M. L. Green	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg	2
Pleasant Grove	J. K. Fant	M. L. Tayloe, Aulander	1
Potocasi	J. N. Hoggard	H. C. Edwards, Woodland	2
Republican	L. M. Curtis	Levi Hoggard, Drew	4
Rich Square	A. Cree	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square	2
Roanoke	D. Cale	R. C. Lassiter, Lasker	1
Robert's Chapel	C. W. Scarborough	J. H. Stephenson, Pendleton	1 & 3
Roquist	R. D. Cross	A. L. Pritchard, Windsor	4
Ross	T. T. Speight	W. D. White, Windsor	4
Sandy Run	J. W. Powell	J. H. Peele, Roxobel	4
Seaboard	A. Cree	S. B. Stephenson, Seaboard	3
Siloam	J. R. Mathews	G. D. Leggett, Windsor	1
St. John's	T. C. Britton	T. J. Teaster, St. Johns	3
Union	R. D. Cross	A. C. Vann, Union	3
Winton	J. T. Riddick	E. L. Gatling, Winton	1 & 3
Severn	J. N. Hoggard	W. H. Howell, Severn	Each



SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	Superintendents and Post Offices.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Lib'y.	Quarterlies and other Papers taken.
Ahoskie.....	1	W. E. Jernigan, Ahoskie.....	10	100	50	146
Aulander.....	1	A. W. Early, Aulander.....	14	118	50	.....
Bethany.....	2	M. W. Perry, L. Pearce, Coleraine.....	18	107	260	130
Bethlehem.....	1	Dr. R. P. Thomas, Bethlehem.....	10	98	30	62
Brantley's Grove.....	1	J. B. Modlin, Union.....	9	65	.....	70
Buckhorn.....	1	G. C. Picot, Como.....	12	122	50	75
Capeheart's.....	2	J. N. Thomas, H. H. Bowen, Mer'y Hill.....	13	105	100	150
Cashie.....	1	D. E. Modlin, Windsor.....	4	40	50	.....
Cedar Branch.....	1	L. W. Hardison, Jamesville.....	9	70	.....	75
Chowan.....	1	John E. Vann, Winton.....	6	52	.....	275
Christian Harbor.....	1	J. W. Modlin, Coleraine.....	9	54	10	45
Coleraine.....	1	No school reported.....	10	56	.....	108
Connaritsa.....	1	E. C. Allen, Creekville.....	14	83	40	40
Creekville.....	1	J. B. Lassiter, Aulander.....	10	90	100	112
Dudley's Grove.....	1	E. H. Johnson, Garysburg.....	6	43	.....	54
Elam.....	1	E. H. Barnes, Margarettsville.....	6	35	.....	35
Galatia.....	1	J. R. Castellow, Windsor.....	7	53	.....	160
Green's X Roads.....	1	B. F. Williams, Harrellsville.....	7	74	.....	42
Harrellsville.....	1	No school reported.....	5	42	.....	40
Hebron.....	1	J. F. Whedbee, Quitsna.....	7	46	38	50
Hill Side.....	1	S. R. Buxton, Jackson.....	14	134	42	120
Holly Grove.....	1	D. J. Coffield, Sans Sauci.....	15	70	50	144
Jackson.....	1	W. I. Early, Lewiston.....	10	74	84	66
Lawrence's X Roads.....	1	I. P. Parker, Margarettsville.....	16	124	40	216
Lewiston.....	1	D. W. Britton, W. D. Perry, Coleraine.....	5	20	.....	16
Margarettsville.....	2	W. S. Nelson, Murfreesboro.....	11	63	.....	40
Mars Hill.....	1	F. J. L. Harriss, Seaboard.....	11	63	.....	40
Meherrin.....	1	J. D. Sewell, Mapleton.....	10	110	40	65
Mount Carmel.....	1	Thomas A. Brett, Murfreesboro.....	11	68	50	75
Mount Tabor.....	1	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg.....	11	68	50	125
Murfreesboro.....	1	M. L. Tayloe, Aulander.....	9	101	.....	80
Pine Forest.....	1	N. W. Britton, Woodland.....	15	153	.....	167
Pleasant Grove.....	1	Levi Hoggard, Drew.....	9	46	.....	66
Potecasi.....	1	W. E. Clifton, Rich Square.....	17	143	395	162
Republican.....	1	W. D. Peele, Lasker.....	10	61	130	87
Rich Square.....	1	J. G. Joyner, Pendleton.....	5	30	15	.....
Roanoke.....	1	T. S. Morris, Windsor.....	7	94	.....	.....
Robert's Chapel.....	1	W. T. Evans, Evansville.....	14	101	35	150
Roaquist.....	1	P. C. Jenkins, Roxobel.....	14	80	60	85
Ross.....	1	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandy Run.....	1	C. Bond, Windsor.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Seaboard.....	1	W. E. Jenkins, St. Johns.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Siloam.....	1	A. C. Vann, Union.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Johns.....	1	B. F. Barham, Winton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Winton.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

FIGURE 1. TAP:IN

CHURCHES.	Male Membership.	Female Membership.	Pastor's Salary.	Teacher's Expenses.	Mission Fund.	Total.	Sunday School Expenses.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Evangelism.	Colportage.
Ahoskie.	113	219	300.00	167.00	218	\$13.32	41	40.20	30	39	50	
Aulander.	103	153	300.00	50	2	372	30	20	150	25		
Bethany.	84	83	150.00	157.00	16	10	30	20	150	25		
Bethlehem.	100	129	300.00	250	50	133	36	84	30	15		
Brantley's Grove.	43	77	100.00	40	10	40	10	30	10	30	15	
Buckhorn.	32	67	100.00	220	102	548	14	25	10	30	25	
Capheat's.	105	175	137.50	137	25	157	25	5	10	20	5	
Cashie.	100	131	300.00	68	8	50	470	68	37	15	9	37
Cedar Branch.	37	69	50.00	35	1	86	55	2	35			
Chowan.	33	42	300.00	25	1	326	31	20	30	10	25	12
Christian Harbor.	68	62	100.00	8	7	13	19	48	3	3	4	
Coleraine.	107	151	150.00	00	00	212	15	68	20	1	40	20
Connarita.	49	230	150.00	17	3	170	2	30	10	20	10	
Creeksville.	45	44	75.00	20	50	95	50	5		4		
Dudley's Grove.	138	22	50.00	100	57	201	23	8	50	1		
Elam.	67	110	150.00	17	1	100	168	60	9	12	5	25
Galatia.	99	128	125.00	21	75	147	75	4	50	2	20	15
Green's X Roads.	67	87	75.00	1	100	75	75	3	25	2	20	15
Harellsville.	42	60	150.00	29	65	239	65	10		4	27	13
Hebron.	130	130	140.00	67	17	150	138	67	10			3
Hill Side.	258	21	50.00	10	32	50	91	02	1	95	3	
Holly Grove.	38	94	150.00	29	1	121	15	15	35	4	11	08
Jackson.	25	42	150.00	29	1	121	15	15	35	3	3	
Lawrence's X Roads.	55	70	100.00	10	17	117	17	02	20	1	70	6
Lewiston.	57	70	100.00	47	96	157	106	6	06			5
Margarettsville.	24	22	75.00	30	1	108	5	15	2	3	72	1
Mars Hill.	159	171	150.00	18	17	257	190	15	25	13	53	47
Meherin.	131	190	25.00	2	506	129	250	16	12	3	15	10
Mount Carmel.	89	112	150.00	10	2	100	161	50	10	5	20	5
Mount Taber.	121	150	100.00	29	50	150	172	9	16	65	10	30
Murfreesboro.	41	55	600.00	47	96	157	847	70	58	24		
Pine Forest.	22	38	115.00	1	1	126	10	25	2	50	10	5
Pleasant Grove.	167	123	300.00	30	1	300	231	50	10	3	10	15
Potomac.	130	255	150.00	23	2	182	13	10	10	5	25	10
Republican.	121	192	200.00	77	52	30	214	19	30	25	6	70
Rich Square.	75	103	175.00	87	60	244	19	30	7	2	25	8
Roanoke.	50	85	100.00	7	1	108	9	1	50	15	70	10
Robert's Chapel.	39	43	75.00	51	153	244	15	14	35	3	50	15
Roquist.	39	43	75.00	51	153	244	15	14	35	3	50	15
Ross.	244	238	175.00	38	54	276	55	1	80			
Sandy Run.	100	157	150.00	25	3	177	26	13	20	10	30	15
Seaboard.	37	50	150.00	20	2	170	12	10	10	67	18	9
Siloam.	28	44	35.00	3	1	39	5	20				
St. John's.	51	58	100.00	1	1	101	5	12	3	18	10	
Union.	65	72	200.00	50	10	208	10	60	20	15	10	10
Winton.	59	17	300.00	16	31	188	33	30	2	10	26	20

FINANCIAL TABLE CONCLUDED

Sunday Schools.	Orphanages.	Ministers' Relief Fund.	Poor.	Other Objects.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Society School Board.	Orphanages.	Other Objects.	Total Contributions of a Congregation.	Grand Total.	Per capita Contribution for Higher Education.
45	5	50	22	90								101	2	
30	84	1	61	5			5			19		714	54	
35				90	90							20	16	
4	80									16	4	15	4	
27	10	5	5	11			15	4	5	20	1	23	2	
47	20			26	50							101	2	
				3	34	7	50					321	54	
10	40	2	11	23	58		1	55				329	54	
24	16			25	97	27	85					307	98	
12							20					111	50	19
2	72	6	2	62								215	25	19
				7	63							207	48	19
				2	70							189	57	16
2	60											94	80	19
15	50			85	35	4	40					272	92	81
				3	15							383	121	54
				8	00							71	07	29
				5	12							165	79	35
				4	60							220	24	51
												165	43	50
												221	78	37
												387	78	50
												218	99	32
												226	00	20
												302	98	45
												163	41	11
												148	75	50
												108	94	77
												157	31	37
												110	44	31
												142	18	27
												135	75	12
												76	26	64
												76	26	64
												21	77	42
												201	92	18
												274	07	108
												41	00	34
												139	90	41
												454	24	1
												178	33	81

MINUTES

OF THE

West Chowan Baptist Association

HELD WITH

THE BAPTIST CHURCH AT MARS HILL

BERTIE COUNTY, N. C.

October 26, 27 and 28, 1897

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT SESSION

The next Session will be held with the Church at Meherrin, in Hertford County,
beginning on Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1898

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IN THE

WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

S. F. BRISTOE.....	Coleraine, N. C.
DANCY CALE.....	Potecasi, N. C.
ARCHIBALD CREE.....	Seaboard, N. C.
R. D. CROSS.....	Windsor, N. C.
L. M. CURTIS.....	Aulander, N. C.
J. K. FANT.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
J. C. FLEETWOOD.....	Margarettsville, N. C.
M. L. GREEN.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
J. N. HOGGARD.....	Severn, N. C.
B. LEGGETT.....	Windsor, N. C.
J. R. MATHEWS.....	Hexlena, N. C.
J. B. NEWTON.....	Aulander, N. C.
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T. T. SPEIGHT.....	Lewiston, N. C.
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B. B. WILLIAMS.....	Harrellsville, N. C.
R. T. WHITE.....	Seaboard, N. C.

PASTORS, BUT NOT RESIDENTS IN THIS ASSOCIATION:

W. P. JORDAN.....	Hertford, N. C.
J. W. POWELL.....	Rocky Mount, N. C.
J. A. SPEIGHT.....	Berkley, Va.
JOSEPHUS LYNCH.....	Edenton, N. C.

OFFICERS:

J. C. SCARBOROUGH.....	Moderator.
W. P. SHAW.....	Vice-Moderator.
W. R. RAYNER.....	Clerk.
J. S. MITCHELL.....	Treasurer.
C. W. SCARBOROUGH.....	Historian.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with, said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: Provided, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECT.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

Art. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice; or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons; or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements; or upon application of a church for dismissal.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans

of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving—1. Locality. 2. The names of its pastor and clerk, and their respective post offices. 3. The Sabbaths of regular service. 4. The church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female. 5. Sabbath School statistics. 6. Amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund. 7. Names of delegates and alternates. 8. Any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at the time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order; and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of established parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of the same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of the same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the Minutes a historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by the votes of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after the organization.

2. This committee to have the right to interpret the meaning of the Constitution. (Adopted 1889, and ordered to be embodied in the Constitution.)

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hours of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

- 11.00 a. m. Introductory Sermon.
 12.00 m. Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
 12.30 p. m. Recess.
 2.00 p. m. Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize.
 Read Constitution. Call names of churches that
 failed to represent themselves at last session. Re-
 ceive new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint com-
 mittees.
 3.00 p. m. Report on Temperance.
 3.30 p. m. Report on Periodicals.
 4.00 p. m. Assignment of Homes. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

- 9.30 a. m. Devotional exercises.
 10.00 a. m. Routine Business.
 10.15 a. m. Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.
 11.00 a. m. Report on Education.
 11.45 a. m. Report on State Missions.
 12.30 p. m. Recess.
 2.00 p. m. Convene. Routine Business.
 2.10 p. m. Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
 2.30 p. m. Report on Baptist Orphanage.
 3.15 p. m. Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

- 9.30 a. m. Devotional Exercises.
 10.00 a. m. Convene. Routine Business.
 10.15 a. m. Report on Home Missions.
 11.00 a. m. Report on Church Statistics.
 11.15 a. m. Report of Committees. Miscellaneous Business. Ad-
 journment.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

Tuesday, October 26, 1897.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met in its fifteenth annual session this day with the church at Mars Hill, Bertie County.

Elder T. J. Riddick, the regular appointee to preach the introductory sermon, being absent, Bro. McKaughan, from the Tar River Association, preached from Acts, 5th Chapter, 29th, 30th and 31st verses.

The Association then adjourned for refreshments.

Benediction by Bro. McKaughan.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-convened by singing.

The Moderator of last session being absent, Bro. J. C. Scarborough was chosen Moderator temporarily.

The roll of churches was called and the delegates enrolled as follows:

Ahoskie—J. W. Wynns, W. H. Miller, W. H. Jernigan, W. J. Green.

Aulander—C. W. Mitchell, J. E. Lang, A. W. Early.

Bethany—Alpheus Bass, G. W. Outlaw.

Bethlehem—Dr. R. P. Thomas, W. P. Shaw, A. Bass.

Brantley's Grove—J. B. Modlin, W. H. Bryant.

Buckhorn—R. A. Majette, W. I. Johnson, R. J. Taylor.

Capehearts—H. J. Ward, T. M. White, M. T. Phelps.

Cashie—*T. Gilliam, *D. E. Modlin, *W. R. Cobb.

Cedar Branch—*J. C. Getsinger, W. A. Brown.

Chowan—John S. Shaw, *Geo. A. Brown.

Christian Harbor—J. H. Evans, *D. S. Valentine.

Coleraine—W. H. Harrell, J. E. Bass, H. E. Wilson.

Conaritsa—Dr. J. H. Mitchell, J. A. Early, *J. H. Mitchell.

Creeksville—*W. J. Bridgers, *George Bridgers.

Dudley's Grove—Robert R. Penwell, Jos. S. Hollomon.

Elam—B. L. Sikes, W. S. Bennett, J.^uL. Stephenson.

Galatia—

Green's X Roads—R. H. Castelaw, Miles Mizell.

Harrellsville—T. Q. Copeland, B. F.^uWilliams.

Hebron—J. C. Vaughan, C. R. Revelle, C. S. Edwards.

Hill Side—*J. F. Whedbee, *J. F. Pittman.

Holly Grove—J. H. Bowen, R. A. Myers.

Jackson—*C. W. Newsome, *B. F.^uDavis.

Lawrence's X Roads—J. W. Langdale, D. J. Cofield.

Lewiston—Dr. Wayland Mitchell, W. J. Early, A. F. Hancock.

Margarettesville—D. E. Bridgers, J. E. Stancel.

Mars Hill—W. R. Rayner, W. W. Outlaw, L. P. Freeman, S. R. White.

Meherrin—*J. T. Chitty, *L. L. Parker, *C. H. Chitty.

Mount Carmel—*J. T. Long, *L. L. Taylor, *R. H. Stephenson.

Mount Tabor—J. T. Benthall, W. D. Brown, D. L. Parker.

Murfreesboro—J. C. Scarborough, *Dr. W. G. Freeman.

Pine Forest—*E. N. Jones, *J. R. Carstarphen.

Pleasant Grove—*M. L. Tayloe, *P. J. Snipes, *J. W. White.

Potecasi—*C. R. Harrell, *N. W.^uBritton, *W. C. Cook.

Republican—J. H. Burden, G. W. White,^u*J. R. Cherry, *J. P.

Bazemore.

Rich Square—A. J. Rountree, E. L. Bishop, John Vann.

Roanoke—Dr. R. P. Morehead, J. P. Hollomon.

Roberts Chapel—*Leroy Stephenson, *W. M. Watson, *McM. Long, *Willie Britton.

Roquist—J. J. Johnson, W. Y. Sanders.

Ross'—T. Q. Castelaw, J. P. Mizell, John Mitchell, R. B. Jer-nigan.

Riddick's Grove—B. Leggett, *Lewis Thomson.

Sandy Run—A. T. Liverman, G. W. Liverman, *W. J. Watson, *J. J. Brown.

Seaboard—A. Cree, *Samuel L. Yates.

Siloam—Aaron Cobb, N. T. Leggett.

St. John's—*W. E. Jenkins, *D. C. Joyner, *J. H. White.

Severn—*Geo. T. Fleetwood, *W. H. Howell.

Union—*A. C. Vann, *W. J. Vaughan.

Winton—J. S. Mitchell, *B. F. Barham, *J. H. Jenkins.

*Absent.

The Moderator announced the following Committee on Credentials: S. R. White, T. Q. Castelaw, J. H. Burden, C. S. Edwards, J. C. Vaughan.

The Committee on Credentials reported the churches in accord with the Constitution that was represented, but was granted further time to make final report.

The Association proceeded to the election of officers for the present session, which resulted as follows: R. P. Thomas, Moderator; J. C. Scarborough, Vice-Moderator; W. R. Rayner, Clerk; J. S. Mitchell, Treasurer; C. W. Scarborough, Historian.

The Clerk read the Constitution.

The church (Hill Side), that failed to make any report at our last session, gave their excuse, which was accepted.

Under the call for new churches the Riddick's Grove Baptist Church made application for admission into this body, which application was referred to a committee consisting of L. M. Curtis, R. P. Jordan, W. H. Miller, which committee was permitted to retire in order to make their report.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, which invitation was accepted by J. C. Caddell, representing the "Biblical Recorder"; Bro. Edwards, representing the "North Carolina Baptist"; Elder Peace, of Chowan Association; Elder McKaughan, of the Tar River Association.

The Committee, on application of Riddick's Grove Church, for admission into this body, reported unanimously recommending its reception.

The report was received, and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship and welcome to its delegates.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Committee on Religious Exercises—Pastor and deacons of Mars Hill Church.

Committee on Finance—D. W. Britton, T. Q. Castelaw, W. H. Miller.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for Next Session—J. H. Burden, C. S. Edwards, W. W. Outlaw.

C. W. Scarborough read the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following:

Whereas, Every Christian admits that the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is unwise and sinful; therefore,

Resolved, That we very earnestly and kindly request all of our people to absolutely refrain from the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

L. M. CURTIS,
For Committee.

The report was adopted without discussion.

Elder A. Cree offered the report on Periodicals:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Whenever the Gospel finds free course for its proclamation, is most earnestly believed and implicitly obeyed, there religious literature flourishes in vigorous and attractive life. Ever since the period of the Reformation, the printing press, then recently invented, became and has continued to be the chief ally of the pulpit in the dissemination of religious truth. Effectually supported and aided as our own churches and ministry are by the periodicals of our denomination, the importance of sustaining them cannot be too frequently brought home to the minds and hearts of the office-bearers and members of our churches.

1. We commend to the churches the "Biblical Recorder" for its loyalty to truth, its broad sympathies, the accuracy of its news, the grace and strength of its style, and especially its splendid public spirit. We could not desire a safer and more progressive denominational paper than the "Recorder." We do not expect, nor do we want it to agree with us in every particular, in matters of opinion or policy. What we ask is that it shall continue to be true to its own earnest and well-considered convictions. Its columns are freely open to courteous and respectful controversy on any opinion or policy for which it contends. We have every confidence in its young editor, who wields the weapons of his warfare with ever-increasing valor and skill. We have equal confidence in its broad-minded business management; and now that the price of the "Recorder" has been reduced to a dollar and a half a year, our aim should be to put the paper, as nearly as possible, in every home connected with our churches.

2. We also commend "Charity and Children," the earnest advocate of the orphans. There is no more valuable reading, especially for the young than its bright and wholesome articles. It ought to be taken in large numbers by every Sunday School.

3. The Southern Baptist Convention Sunday School literature should also be in all the Sunday Schools of the Association, both on account of its own excellence, and because its surplus profits go to aid our mission work.

4. "The Foreign Mission Journal" is necessary to a healthy interest in our various mission fields.

5. A new quarterly periodical, the "Baptist Historical Papers," published at Henderson, N. C., claims the suffrages of every intelligent Baptist in the State. Both in manner and style it must be ranked as a high-class publication. With great clearness and force it tells the story of the beginning and wonderful progress

of the Baptists in North Carolina. Our Association, as these papers show, having been the very cradle of the Baptist movement, cannot fail to have a special interest in the thrilling narrative told by this magazine. We heartily commend it to the support of our people.

ARCHIBALD CREE.

The report was discussed by A. Cree, C. W. Scarborough, T. T. Speight and Elder Edwards.

On motion, the further discussion of the report was laid over until to-morrow morning.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended to allow the Committee on Hospitalities to assign homes to delegates.

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9.30 o'clock a. m.

Benediction by A. Cree.

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday, October 27, 1897.

After religious exercises, conducted by Elder McKaughan, the Association was called to order by J. C. Scarborough, Vice-Moderator.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Dr. R. P. Thomas resigned as Moderator.

The Association received his resignation and elected J. C. Scarborough Moderator and W. P. Shaw, Vice-Moderator.

The regular order of business was taken up.

C. W. Scarborough offered the report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

Whatever may be our opinions as to the proper sphere of woman, the fact remains that she is a larger factor in our social and religious life to-day than ever before. There is no evidence that our young women are willing to move in smaller circles than did their mothers, nor are they shrinking from positions of prominence and wide influence.

The kind of influence exerted by a woman will be determined largely by the kind of education she receives and the ideals of life held up before her by her teachers. The efforts to divorce education from any decided religious training and doctrinal bias were never more determined and persistent than now. Baptists have more to risk than some other denominations when they entrust

the education of their daughters to Christless teachers, or to teachers not in full sympathy with the doctrines of the Bible as held by us, and with the work of our denomination. Such considerations moved some of our brethren fifty years ago to establish Chowan Baptist Female Institute. From 1848 to the present this school has had some prominence in the thought and life of the Baptists in a large part of North Carolina and of Virginia. How much it has done for the homes of our people, and what part it has played in propogating Bible doctrine, and thus establishing Baptist churches, will hardly be over-estimated. The Institute has been the chief human instrumentality in making Eastern North Carolina and Virginia a Baptist stronghold. With the blessings of God upon it, and the co-operation of our Baptist people, it will hold this fair land for Christ, and for that people whose only creed is the Bible.

Its President is a Baptist, true and tried; with him is associated a faculty of the same type. He feels bound both by personal conviction and by his contract with the Trustees, to have a Baptist faculty.

As a school, the Institute is worthy of the confidence and patronage of our people. While its course of study is as varied, extensive and thorough as the institutions with which it has to compete, its terms are lower than the published terms of any other school of equal grade, except the schools receiving aid from the taxes of the people.

As a Baptist school it comes before you asking, in return for what it has helped you to be, your sympathy, your prayers, your patronage. This school, made ours by the gifts of a few of our brethren, needs and deserves from us something more than sympathy, than prayers, than patronage. We need to put on its buildings, into its furniture, and into its appliances our money, so that our affections may be locked up in and with it.

If our Baptist people shall be true to themselves, and stand by the Trustees and the President in their efforts to build up the Institute, the President proposes to add to the course of study as soon as practible, the study of the Bible.

Every intelligent Baptist knows that the patronage of the Institute is not what it ought to be. They know, too, that many pupils have gone from our midst to other schools, as the result of questionable methods used by soliciting agents. Your Committee, in view of the facts of this report, ask whether those of our people who do so, have sufficient reason to offer for supporting schools other than our own, and especially when some of these schools with all their influence are now used, and are going to be used against us as a denomination.

We would not close this report without some reference to him who gave more than any one man to the establishment of the Institute. He gave of his means, he counselled with the Trustees, he advised and encouraged those in charge of its interests, he gladly befriended those who could not have shared its benefits without his help, but he never complained of the Institute. We

thank God for the life and labors of W. W. Mitchell. He entered into rest September 12, 1897, but his work goes on. Let us follow his example, for after all, what we do for God is all that can last, is all we shall deem worthy of care when we stand before Him, who loved us and gave himself for us.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH,

For Committee.

The report was discussed by A. Cree, T. T. Speight, C. W. Scarborough, J. C. Scarborough, President of the Institute, after which it was received and ordered to be spread upon the Minutes.

The regular order of business was suspended and the Report on Periodicals was taken up.

The Association was addressed by J. W. Bailey, editor "Biblical Recorder," and J. B. Boone, General Manager of the Thomasville Orphanage. After which, on motion, the report was adopted.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, which invitation was accepted by J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary; J. B. Boone, Manager Baptist Orphanage; J. W. Bailey, editor "Biblical Recorder"; and J. A. Speight, editor "Atlantic Baptist."

The Moderator appointed B. F. Williams on Finance Committee in place of D. W. Britton.

Brethren Ed. Pearce, Haywood Hughes, J. M. Forehand, of the Chowan Association; Dr. E. W. Sikes, in interest of Wake Forest College; Dr. John Mitchell, in interest of Board of Education, were invited to seats by the Moderator and accepted.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the churches in harmony with the Constitution of the Association.

W. R. Jones extended the address of welcome from the church to the Association.

Bro. L. M. Curtis, at the request of the Moderator, responded for the Association.

The Association gave Bro. McKaughan five minutes to explain his mission.

On motion, the Association gave the Brother a collection of \$11.64 to help to pay for the church at Halifax.

On motion, the Association adjourned.

Benediction by Dr. John Mitchell.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-convened by singing at 2 o'clock p. m.
R. D. Cross presented the Report on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Since God has committed His revelation to us in the written Word; since, in giving this, He chose not man in his undeveloped state, but man with intellectual capacity and the highest educational attainments, as the prophets and Paul and others; and since we are brought under the most serious obligation to understand this revelation from God our Father, to us, His children, we should bestir ourselves, awaken the slumbering powers that lie dormant about us, and use them for the advancement of the Master's kingdom.

One of the greatest hindrances to the onward march of the progress of the Lord's hosts is that gigantic monster, ignorance, who goes walking about supremely happy, both among the unredeemed and the redeemed of the Lord, leading millions of God's children to do homage at His altar. To counteract this onward march of the enemy of man and God, and the captor of our people, our forefathers put forth their noblest endeavor, and out of the abundance of their poverty, the riches of their liberality abounded, and they created and endowed institutions that have become our richest heritage, and the pride of our denomination. No denomination surpasses our own in the value of her theological institutions and Christian colleges.

Among the colleges, the pride of the Baptists of North Carolina, stands Wake Forest, prepared to give a liberal Christian education to all our young men, ministers and others as well.

There are now being aided at Wake Forest twenty-five young men, who are preparing themselves to preach the Gospel. They are worthy, help them.

Within our bounds is Chowan Female Institute, worthy of our patronage and support. We commend these, and commend and encourage the work of academies, which are doing a work the others can never do.

R. D. CROSS,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by Elder John Mitchell and Dr. E. W. Sykes, after which the report was received and ordered to be spread upon the Minutes.

Owing to the very disagreeable weather, the churches not being represented, C. W. Scarborough offered the following:

That the churches be requested to give at least as much to the Education Board during the coming year as they gave last year,

and that the Clerk be instructed to put the same amounts opposite the names of the churches, that the churches pledged last year.

On motion, the above was carried.

The amounts are as follows: Aulander, \$20; Bethany, \$2; Bethlehem, \$15; Buckhorn, \$25; Capeharts, \$5; Cashie, \$10; Chowan, \$20; Coleraine, \$5; Conaritsa, \$10; Elam, \$10; Harrellsville, \$8; Hebron, \$5; Holly Grove, \$10; Jackson, \$2.50; Lewiston, \$3.50; Margarettesville, \$1; Mars Hill, \$10; Meherrin, \$10 (paid); Mount Carmel, \$5; Mount Tabor, \$5; Murfreesboro, \$5; Pine Forest, \$5; Pleasant Grove, \$15; Potecasi, \$10; Republican, \$10; Rich Square, \$6; Roanoke, \$2; Roberts Chapel, \$10; Roquist, \$5; Ross', \$3; Sandy Run, \$10; Seaboard, \$5; Severn, \$1; Union, \$10; Winton, \$10.

Rev. B. Craig, from Virginia, was invited to a seat and accepted.

T. T. Speight offered the Report on State Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS, 1897.

If there is any work of our Master's kingdom that should have a warm place in our hearts, it is the State mission work. It starts at our homes, and we may safely call it home missions if we wish—for it commences at our firesides and then begins to spread until it reaches from the sea coast to the mountains, and from the Virginia line to the South Carolina line; and never will we, as Baptists, be content until every available place in the State shall have a self-supporting church. Brethren, let us bestir ourselves, and pray God that the time will soon come when North Carolina have a people that shall cry: one Lord, one faith, and one baptism. We have three hundred or more mission churches, and they need our help.

We have this year ninety missionaries, working in forty-five counties, and preaching the Gospel to about four hundred destitute points.

God has greatly blessed their labors this year. They report over one thousand five hundred conversions on the mission fields. They have organized sixty-nine new Sunday Schools, and are engaged in building at this time some twenty-seven new houses of worship.

Respectfully submitted,

T. T. SPEIGHT,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by Secretary J. E. White.

C. W. Scarborough offered the following:

Resolved, That our churches be requested to increase, if possible, their contributions to State missions ten per cent over the pledges of last year; and the pastors be requested to present this proposition to their churches.

The following amounts show the ten per cent asked for State missions: Ahoskie, \$44; Aulander, \$33; Bethany, \$5.50; Bethlehem, \$33; Brantley's Grove, \$11; Buckhorn, \$33; Capehearts, \$11; Cashie, 38.50; Chowan, \$27.50; Christian Harbor, \$3.30; Coleraine, \$27.50; Conaritsa, \$22; Creekville, \$5.50; Dudley's Grove, \$1.10; Galatia, \$13.20; Green's X Roads, \$3.30; Harrellsville, \$11; Hebron, \$11; Hill Side, \$3.30; Holly Grove, \$11; Jackson, \$11; Lawrence's X Roads, \$11; Lewiston, \$11; Margarettesville, \$6.60; Mars Hill, \$22; Meherrin, \$13.20 (paid, \$10); Mount Carmel, \$16.50; Mount Tabor, \$22; Murfreesboro, \$11; Pine Forest, \$11; Pleasant Grove, \$22; Potecasi, \$13.20; Republican, \$22.20; Rich Square, \$27.50; Roanoke, \$8.80; Roberts Chapel, \$33; Roquist, \$5.50; Ross', \$13.20; Seaboard, \$16.50; St. John's, \$11; Severn, \$2.20; Union, \$27.50; Winton, \$16.50.

A cash collection was taken, which amount was \$8.85.

On motion, the report was received and ordered to be spread upon the Minutes.

On motion, the regular order of business was dispensed with, to assign delegates homes.

On motion, the Association adjourned.

Benediction by Elder A. Cree.

THIRD DAY.

Thursday, October 28, 1897.

The Association convened by singing "Nearer My God to Thee."

L. M. Curtis led in prayer. The Minutes of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion, the Moderator, J. C. Scarborough, was elected to represent this Association at the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention. Alternate, W. R. Rayner.

R. D. Cross was elected as representative of Missions and Sunday Schools.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended, and our dear Bro., Rev. B. B. Williams, was requested to speak to the Association. After some touching remarks by the brother, the Association sang, "Blest be the Tie that Binds," and many of the brethren gave him the loving grasp of the hand.

C. W. Mitchell offered the Report on Ministers' Relief Board:

REPORT ON MINSTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

In 1890 the Ministers' Relief Board was created. Is there any necessity for such a Board? For what purpose was it created? What has it accomplished? God has ordained that by the preaching of the Gospel the world is to be brought to Him. He has also said that they that preach the Gospel, shall live of the Gospel. Great sacrifices and self-denials must necessarily be the lot of those who preach the Gospel for the Gospel's sake. Men go in obedience to the marching orders of our Lord, "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel"; they give up the comforts of this life, the attainments of worldly goods, and give their lives to the service of God. Many of them, after spending the most active years of their life in the ministry, come down to old age penniless. Are we under any obligations to them? God teaches that we are to bear one another's burdens. Surely it is our duty to help these scar-worn veterans in the Master's service. Eighteen of these servants have been helped by this Board in the past seven years, and six widows. Of this number twelve have passed over the River to receive the crown that awaited them.

There are others that need help. Shall we help them? What say the churches of the West Chowan Association? May God direct you to answer wisely.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. MITCHELL,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by C. W. Mitchell, J. C. Caddell, after which was received and ordered to be spread upon the Minutes.

On motion, T. T. Speight was excused from further attendance upon the body.

Samuel Saunders presented the report on Baptist Orphanage.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

A most marked and characteristic difference between Christianity and heathenism, indeed between Christianity and the unregenerate world, is their attitude toward and treatment of women and children. In this the Christ and Herod present the completest contrast—the one "taking the children up in His arms and blessing them"; the other slaughtering them like a wild beast. This Orphanage of ours is our effort to incarnate and perpetuate the loving care and tenderness of Christ toward these poor, helpless, destitute ones.

Our Orphanage was organized November 15, 1884; and the first annual meeting was held in July, 1885. The first orphan was received November 11, 1885. The whole number of orphans that have been received into this Institution is four hundred and seventy-four. The number now in the Orphanage is—boys, 74; girls, 80. Of the four hundred and seventy-four that have been in the Orphanage, one hundred and forty-nine were converted and joined the church while there.

The central building has been completed, and is now occupied. This greatly increases the facilities for school work. The children attend school from 8 o'clock till 12 noon, and work in the afternoon. A faithful and efficient corps of teachers and matrons are devoted to the work of training the children for useful and honorable lives. Brother and Sister Boone are consecrated and discreet, and it is believed they are doing the finest work of their lives.

As is usually the case at this time of the year, there is a debt for current expenses; this year this debt is a little larger than usual, because they have been caring for more children than ever before, and consequently the expenses have been greater, while the contributions have not been increased.

Treasurer Allen writes under date of October 20, that there is a debt on the central building of \$654.27, which is due November 1. He has about three hundred dollars in hand for this debt. He says further: "We can now care for one hundred and eighty children, if the means is only provided. The pledges of the churches must in some measure, of course, determine as to whether they shall be received. Nearly every mail brings urgent and pitiful appeals for the reception of children that ought to be cared for; and as the winter comes on, these appeals will be more numerous and more urgent. Please impress it on your churches that it is for them to say how these appeals are to be answered."

In order to bestir us in this good work, let me add a paragraph from last week's "Charity and Children": "Last week was a remarkable one for the Orphanage. A few more like it would relieve the situation entirely and start the work on the new year without a dollar of debt, and with two hundred orphans under its care.

Brethren, continue the good work a little while. Nobody is the poorer—many are the richer for last week's fine work."

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL SAUNDERS,
A. W. EARLY.

The report was discussed by J. B. Boone, Manager. A collection was taken, amounting to \$14.61, and the report was then adopted.

L. M. Curtis offered the Report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS, 1897.

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying: All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." No such language as this was ever addressed to a body of men before. Jesus Christ was more than man or less than man. He died to make good every underlying condition of this mighty command. He put all

the resources into His church for the effective execution of the task of carrying the Gospel to all the world by the assurance of His perpetual presence with all who go. It is as we go that He is with us. Have we gone? We have scarcely started yet. We have only skirted the nearest boundary of the uttermost parts of the earth. Do we believe that the world is lost without Christ? Do we believe in the sufficiency of the cross? Do we believe that the Gospel proclaimed is the power of God unto salvation unto all who believe it? Then why such hesitating heed to the command of our ascending Lord? In China, Africa and Japan—in Italy, Brazil and Mexico, missions are as promising and prosperous as the spirit of missions at home is loyal, hopeful and self-denying. Our great concern is not so much about missionary enterprise and success abroad as the cultivating of the missionary spirit at home. Our need is missionary information, missionary zeal, missionary pastors, missionary churches, missionary deacons and missionary Sunday Schools. Our need to-day is a deeper soil of missionary faith and doctrine, a broader missionary base among the people at home. The work of the Lord in foreign fields has grown beyond the willingness and enthusiasm of the home churches to support it. Because of the smallness of our gifts at home the work is languishing abroad.

The debt of \$13,500 on the Foreign Missionary Board last May, and provided for with such hat-lifting enthusiasm, has not yet all been paid into the treasury, hence the work is seriously hampered, and our own Association is partly responsible for this humiliating standstill of the Lord's work on the foreign fields. Last year forty-four of the forty-seven churches in Association contributed to foreign missions. While this is a fairly good showing, yet our entire membership contributed not quite eight cents per capita to save earth's perishing millions. Shall this continue the sad memorial of our interest in the ever-resounding Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us."

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. CURTIS,
For Committee.

C. W. Scarborough offered the following resolution:

That the churches be requested to raise at least as much for foreign missions as they gave last year; and that the Clerk be instructed to place the same amount opposite the names of the churches, which is as follows: Ahoskie, \$35; Aulander, \$50; Bethany, \$5; Bethlehem, \$30; Brantley's Grove, \$10; Buckhorn, \$30; Capeheart's, \$25; Cashie, \$25; Chowan, \$20; Christian Harbor, \$4; Coleraine, \$20; Conaritsa, \$25; Creekville, \$4; Dudley's Grove, \$2; Elam, \$20; Galatia, \$8; Green's X Roas, \$5; Harrells-ville \$16; Hebron, \$15; Hill Side, \$2; Holly Grove, \$10; Jackson, \$8; Lawrence's X Roads, \$5; Lewiston, \$10; Mars Hill, \$40; Me-herrin, \$15 (paid); Mount Carmel, \$15; Mount Tabor, \$15; Mur-freesboro, \$10; Pine Forest, \$18; Pleasant Grove, \$20; Potecasi, \$25; Republican, \$20; Roanoke, \$9; Roberts Chapel, \$50; Ro-

quist, \$5; Ross', \$20; Sandy Run, \$30; Seaboard, \$10; Severn, \$2; St. John's, \$10; Union, \$12.50; Winton, \$15.

The report as amended was adopted.

J. T. Riddick offered the Report on Home Missions:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

"The work of the Home Mission Board has been greatly blessed. In its results it compares most favorably with the work of other similar organizations of our own and other denominations." The hardest year ever experienced by the Home Mission Board has passed into history. We have in the field under the Home Board, three hundred and seventy-two missionaries, out of which number North Carolina has only four. There were added to the Baptists of the South during the last conventional year, by the labors of the three hundred and seventy-two missionaries—by baptism, 4,709; by letter, 4,746; total additions, 9,455. Churches constituted, 139; houses of worship built, 57; Sunday Schools organized, 313. Amount received and expended in home mission work during the last conventional year was as follows: For missions, \$45,671.82; for church building, \$51,540; grand total, \$97,211.82. Out of this amount North Carolina received for mission work done under the Home Board, \$2,335. In the report on Home Missions, made at Wilmington, this statement is made: "That not more than half the male members belonging to the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention contribute to missions, and that three-fourths of the entire membership give nothing." "These facts justify the assertion that of the one million five hundred thousand upon our church rolls, not less than one million have no interest in mission work, and never make any contributions to it." Shall this be said of any of the members of our Association? The Board asks for one hundred thousand dollars for this year.

Our Home Board is trying to preach the Gospel:

First. In the mountain region. Several States come under this head.

Second. In the large cities of the Southern States.

Third. Among the negro race.

Fourth. Among the Indians of the Indian Territory.

Fifth. In Cuba, and among the Cuban race in Florida.

Sixth. In Florida, Louisiana, Texas, Tennessee.

The work is greatly needed in these States. To fully supply the religious destitutions of the South, there must be greater work done through the agency of the Home Board; and this can only be done by an awakening on the part of our leaders. For this great awakening, so much needed, we recommend the careful study of God's word, found in Ezekiel 33d Chap.; 2 Cor., 9th Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. RIDDICK.

L. M. Curtis moved that the same request be made of the churches with reference to home missions, and the same instruction given to the Clerk that was made in reference to foreign missions.

Ahoskie, \$10 ; Aulander, \$20 ; Bethany, \$3 ; Bethlehem, \$10 ; Brantley's Grove, \$5 ; Buckhorn, \$10 ; Capehearts, \$5 ; Cashie, \$7 ; Chowan, \$10 ; Christian Harbor, \$2 ; Conaritsa, \$10 ; Galatia, \$5 ; Green's X Roads, \$2 ; Harrellsville, \$5 ; Hebron, \$5 ; Hill Side, \$2 ; Holly Grove, \$4 ; Jackson, \$3 ; Lewiston, \$5 ; Margarettsville, \$4 ; Mars Hill, \$10 ; Meherrin, \$10 (paid) ; Mount Carmel, \$5 ; Mount Tabor, \$5 ; Murfreesboro, \$10 ; Pine Forest, \$3 ; Pleasant Grove, \$10 ; Potecasi, \$5 ; Republican, \$10 ; Rich Square, \$5 ; Roanoke, \$2 ; Robert's Chapel, \$15 ; Roquist, \$5 ; Ross', \$7 ; Sandy Run, \$10 ; Seaboard, \$5 ; Severn, \$1 ; St. John's, \$3 ; Union, \$12.50 ; Winton, \$10.

On motion, without discussion, the report was received and ordered to be spread upon the Minutes.

J. S. Mitchell presented the Treasurer's report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FROM OCTOBER 27, 1896, TO OCTOBER 26, 1897.

Received from Finance Committee, 1896—	
For Foreign Missions	\$173.40
State Missions	160.97
Home Missions	68.22
Ministerial education	85.68
Orphanage	12.98
Minute fund	64.92
Total amount received	566.17
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Paid Clerk	\$ 25.00
For printing Minutes	39.92
J. B. Boone, for Orphanage	12.98
John Mitchell, for ministerial education	85.68
John E. White, for Foreign Missions	173.40
State Missions	160.97
Home Missions	58.22
Total amount paid out	566.17

JAMES S. MITCHELL,
Treasurer West Chowan Association.

Received and ordered to be spread upon the Minutes.

Committee on Time, Place and Preachers for Next Session report as follows:

Place, Meherrin Baptist Church, Hertford County; time, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1898. To preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. W. P. Jordan; alternate, C. W. Scarborough.

C. W. Mitchell was allowed further time on the History of the Baptists in this Association.

R. D. Cross offered the following:

That the Clerk be allowed the sum of twenty-five dollars for his services; and Minutes published for the remainder of the money, and distributed according to custom.

Samuel Saunders presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That we take pleasure in expressing our sincere appreciation to the members of this church and congregation for the abundant and cordial hospitality which we have received at their hands during this session of this body.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Received during the session—	
For Foreign Missions.....	\$174.80
State Missions.....	141.71
Home Missions.....	64.94
Education.....	57.93
Orphanage.....	11.11
Minute fund.....	44.69
Total.....	498.18

L. M. Curtis made some remarks in favor of Chowan Baptist Female Institute. Dr. E. W. Sikes for Wake Forest College.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Temperance—S. F. Bristoe, Geo. P. Fleetwood, J. H. Evans.
 Periodicals—L. M. Curtis, J. R. Carstarphen, T. J. Vann.
 Chowan Baptist Female Institute—C. W. Mitchell, R. T. Morehead, A. C. Vann.
 State Missions—J. T. Riddick, McM. Long, G. W. Liverman.
 Education—R. P. Thomas, M. H. Bowen, D. E. Modlin.
 Ministers' Relief Board—W. P. Shaw, H. E. Wilson, W. J. Bridgers.
 Baptist Orphanage—D. Cale, S. B. Barnes, J. C. Vaughan.
 Foreign Missions—W. P. Jordan, J. S. Mitchell, N. W. Britton.
 Home Missions—Samuel Saunders, W. W. Outlaw, J. W. Langdale.

Church Statistics—George A. Brown, T. Q. Castelaw, B. F. Williams.

Executive Committee—John C. Scarborough, W.R. Rayner, J. S. Mitchell, W. P. Shaw, C. W. Scarborough.

CORRESPONDING MESSENGERS.

To Chowan Association—T. T. Speight, M. L. Green, R. T. White.

To Portsmouth Association—C. W. Scarborough, J. B. Newton, G. M. Matthews.

To Tar River Association—J. A. Speight, S. B. Barnes, B. Leggett.

The report was received and ordered to be spread upon the Minutes.

On motion, the Association adjourned.

After being led in prayer by Rev. B. Craig, the Moderator declared the session adjourned.

J. C. SCARBOROUGH, Moderator.

W. R. RAYNER, Clerk.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

The fifteenth session of the West Chowan Association will probably be known as the rainy session. In consequence of the heavy rains of the first day, and the ominous clouds and frequent showers to the end of the session, only a few delegates were present. Not more than half of the churches were represented.

Place of meeting: The Association was the guest of Mars Hill Church, Bertie County. The church is six miles from Coleraine and ten miles from Ahoskie. While it is not one of the old churches (constituted in 1854), it is one of the large churches; it reports three hundred and fifty members, and stands high among its sister churches as a well organized and beneficent body. Its pastor, Elder W. P. Jordan, has ministered to this flock for about twelve years, and there is no evidences of faltering devotion in the pastor or the people.

At this session one new church was admitted into the fellowship of the Association—Riddick's Grove. This new church is located in Martin County, some ten miles from Jamesville, and is the fruits of mission work by Elder B. Leggett. The church is in a county with many other denominations; it is weak numerically and financially, and will need much help for several years.

For the first time J. W. Bailey, the young and gifted editor of the "Biblical Recorder," was present and spoke to the Report on Periodicals.

Last May John C. Scarborough was elected President of Chowan Baptist Female Institute. He came before the Association as a delegate and as the President of the Institute. He made a strong plea for the education of Baptist girls in a Baptist school—such as the Institute is.

R. P. Thomas, the Moderator of this body from the time of its organization, having declined after re-election to serve, the Association elected President Scarborough to preside over its meetings. A special feature of this meeting was the address of Dr. W. E. Sikes, the representative of Wake Forest College and of Christian Education, and of the voluntary principle in higher education.

Elder J. B. Boone and his wife, Mrs. Sadie Maddrey Boone, went from this Association to take charge of the Baptist Orphanage. They were born in this Association and baptized into the fellowship of Robert's Chapel Church. Bro. Boone will not call himself a visitor. Few men can plead so earnestly, so tenderly, and fewer still can tell the people so clearly just what they want to know about the work of the Orphanage.

Elder John E. White, not one of us by birth, but one with us in, and the leader of our State mission work, was heard with great pleasure by the Association.

Elder John Mitchell, of the Board of Education, and J. C. Cad-dell, agent for the "Biblical Recorder," did not speak at length before the Association, but gave their time to others.

It would hardly be said that this fifteenth session was an average for the West Chowan, but it can justly be claimed that it was very encouraging, especially when the disagreeable weather and the disorder arising from it are considered.

The Association felt the absence of Elder J. K. Fant. During the year, till failing health forced him to resign, he served faithfully the churches at Ahoskie, Harrellsville, and Pleasant Grove. He is now in Baltimore for special treatment. His brethren offered prayer for God's blessings on him and his family.

DEATHS.

While the work goes on the workers pass over the River. Jesus said: "Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am."

During the year the following brethren and sisters have gone to be with Him: P. Stephenson, of Galatia; Mrs. Theresa E. Maddrey and D. C. Hedgepeth, of Robert's Chapel; Mrs. Rosa Burnett Holloman, of Roanoke; Rodger Griffin, of Hebron; Mrs. Herbert Parker, of Murfreesboro; James Bryant, Mrs. S. A. Bryant, William E. Taylor, Mrs. Maria Jernigan, of Buckhorn; Mrs. Jane Darden, of Mount Tabor; and W. W. Mitchell, of Ahoskie.

Some of them went while young. They were active, zealous, and enthusiastic in the work of the Lord. Some were in middle life, but noted for piety—and they added strength to the churches and were light-holders, many of them, to the communities in which they lived. Three were old, viz.: Mrs. Jane Darden, Mrs. Theresa E. Maddrey, and W. W. Mitchell. The writer did not know personally Mrs. Darden, but those who did know her, testify to the beauty of her Christian character. I have never known a finer character, a more devout Christian, nor one who came nearer using all that she had and all that she was for Christ than did Mrs. T. E. Maddrey.

W. W. Mitchell was, till enfeebled by age, a prince and a leader among us. He was an uncompromising Baptist, he was proud of his denomination and of its work; he was liberal in his support of the institutions established and fostered by his people. He gave largely to the Baptist Orphanage, and gave more to Chowan Baptist Female Institute than any one else. He gave to the Institute the princely sum of \$12,000.

We leave this brief notice of our brethren and sisters who have joined the church triumphant in the records of that body to which they belonged. God be praised for their lives and for the precious memories which cluster about their names.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

WEST CHOWAN SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The West Chowan Sunday School Convention met in its eighth annual session with Republican Baptist Church, in Bertie County, August 27, 28 and 29, 1897.

Introductory Sermon was preached by A. Cree, from Matt. x. 42. Subject—"Kindness and its Reward."

The roll-call showed thirty-seven schools represented.

SUBJECTS DISCUSSED.

1. Schools and their Possibilities. Discussed by N. B. Broughton.

2. The Sunday School as an Educating Power. Discussed by J. C. Scarborough.

3. Relation of Our Sunday Schools to Our Mission Work. Discussed by W. J. Beale and W. P. Jordan.

4. The Claims of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention on our Sunday Schools. Discussed by R. D. Cross and C. W. Scarborough. Statements by T. T. Speight and J. B. Newton, followed by resolution, by C. W. Scarborough: "That we advise our Sunday Schools to get their literature from our own Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tennessee, through our Sunday School Supply Store at Raleigh, N. C."

5. Memorizing the Scriptures. Its Importance to the Young. Discussed by A. Cree.

6. What Influences the Scholar Most, What the Teacher Says, or What He Really Is? Discussed by D. E. Modlin.

7. What Encouraging Fruits Have we from the Sunday School Work? Discussed by C. W. Mitchell.

8. Attractions of Sunday School. Discussed by P. S. Vann.

9. Counter Attractions of Sunday Schools. Discussed by J. C. Scarborough.

Sunday sermon preached at 11 a. m. by C. W. Scarborough, from Psalms ii. 8.

Next session meets with Chowan Baptist Church, in Hertford County, Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1898.

To preach Introductory Sermon, L. M. Curtis; alternate, T. T. Speight.

To preach Sunday sermon, at 11 a. m., Samuel Barnes; alternate, R. D. Cross.

D. W. BRITTON, President.

W. J. BEALE, Secretary.

Owing to such very disagreeable weather there is no report from the Woman's Missionary Society of the West Chowan Association.

CHURCH STATISTICS, PASTORS, CLERKS

Churches.	Location and Date of Constitution.	ADDITIONS.			LOSSES.			White Males.	White Females.	Total White.	Colored.	Grand Total.
		Baptisms.	Restored.	Letter.	Letter.	Exclusion	Death.					
Ahoskie	Hertford, 1812	28	13	13	28	8	8	130	200	330		330
Aulander	Bertie, 1886..	22	6	4	11	2	1	116	165	281		281
Bethany	Bertie, 1881..	32	5	5	2			73	88	161		161
Bethlehem	Hertford, 1835			8	6	3	1	98	141	239		239
Brantley's Grove	Hertford, 1877	9	4	6	4	2	1	47	36	133		133
Buckhorn	Hertford, 1837	44	5	11	2	3	3	128	113	243		243
Capeheart's	Bertie, 1824..		5	7	5	5	5	103	172	275	2	277
Cashie	Bertie, 1778..			10	5	4	7	86	153	249	3	252
Cedar Branch	Martin, 1851	9	1		1	1		40	70	110		110
Chowan	Hertford, 1895	8		4	1			37	47	84		84
Christian Harbor	Hertford, 1881			2	1	13		56	59	115		115
Coleraine	Bertie, 1780..	10	5	8	10	1	4	113	159	272		272
Counaritsa	Bertie, 1789		1	3	7	3		146	258	404		404
Creeksville	Northampton, 1892	11					1	44	46	90		90
Dudley's Grove	Hertford, 1894	6	2	4	4	2	4	15	24	39		39
Elam	Northampton, 1844	9	6		7	2	1	74	147	221		221
Galatia	Northampton, 1859	17	1	2	10	2	4	100	118	218		218
Green's Cross Roads	Bertie, 1874..	27	2		3	1		76	97	173		173
Harrellsville	Hertford, 1875	24	1	5	4	1	3	58	68	126		126
Hebron	Northampton, 1866	22	1	9	8	3	3	136	145	281		281
Hillside	Bertie, 1885..	1	4	6	5	6		25	18	43		43
Holly Grove	Bertie, 1804..	12		5	2	1	1	46	84	130		130
Jackson	Northampton, 1882							20	29	49		49
Lawrence's Cross Roads	Bertie, 1874..		1		3	3	2	59	75	134		134
Lewis on	Bertie, 1883..	28	2	6		4	2	78	81	159		159
Margarettsville	Northampton, 1889	5				1		26	24	50		50
Mars Hill	Bertie, 1854	9	7	15	6	2	1	166	162	331		331
Meherrin	Hertford, 1773	20	5	7	21	1	4	137	201	338	1	339
Mount Carmel	Northampton, 1826..	9	3	2	9		5	86	107	193		193
Mount Tabor	Hertford, 1839	16	5	2	10		7	128	148	276		276
Murfreesboro	Hertford, 1842	17		13	21	1	4	45	55	100		100
Pine Forest	Northampton, 1888..	4	1	4	1			24	42	66		66
Pleasant Grove	Hertford, 1837	42	2	5	3		5	118	154	272		272
Potecasi	Northampton, 1808		1	3	1	1	4	136	207	343		343
Republican	Bertie, 1803..	9	2	4	8	3	4	131	237	368		368
Rich Square	Northampton, 1854	9	6	9	3	9	3	86	110	196		196
Riddick's Grove	Martin, 1893	3		1	2	1		7	15	22		22
Roanoke	Northampton, 1885	7		2	1	1	4	54	66	120		120
Roberts' Chapel	Northampton, 1848	27	6	10	6	3	3	171	239	410		410
Roguish	Bertie, 1878..		1	1	3	2		38	42	80		80
Ross'	Bertie, 1804		3	1	3	2		244	387	631		631
Sandy Run	Bertie, 1750..	22	5	5	8	2	6	193	159	252		252
Seaboard	Northampton, 1889..	4		13	3			41	61	102		102
Severn	Hertford, 1896	14	2	8				34	34	68		68
Siloam	Bertie, 1885	7	6	2	3	3	1	30	45	75		75
St. John's	Hertford, 1883	7	2	1	1			55	62	117		117
Union	Hertford, 1885	13	2	4	6	3	2	68	71	139		139
Winton	Hertford, 1873	32	12	4	5	4	1	87	85	172		172

AND SABBATHS OF PREACHING.

Pastors and Post-offices.	Clerks and Post-offices.	Sabbath of Preaching.
J. K. Fant, Ahoskie.....	T. J. Vann, Ahoskie.....	Fourth.
L. M. Curtis, Aulander.....	C. W. Mitchell, Aulander.....	Sec'd & Fourth.
S. B. Barnes, Lewiston.....	Geo. T. Pearce, Coleraine.....	First.
L. M. Curtis, Aulander.....	A. B. Adkins, Bethlehem.....	First and Third.
Dancy Cale, Potecasi.....	W. J. Coward, Winton.....	Fourth.
C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.....	S. P. Winborne, Como.....	Sec'd & Fourth.
T. T. Speight, Lewiston.....	H. J. Ward, Evansville.....	Second.
R. D. Cross, Windsor.....	D. E. Modlin, North Carolina.....	First and Third.
B. Leggett, Jamesville.....	W. A. Modlin, Jamesville.....	Third.
Samuel Saunders, Murfreesboro.....	George A. Brown, Winton.....	First and Third.
S. F. Bristoe, Coleraine.....	J. W. Hollomon, Harrellsville.....	Third.
S. F. Bristoe, Coleraine.....	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine.....	Third.
T. T. Speight, Lewiston.....	C. M. Early, Aulander.....	Third.
Dancy Cale, Potecasi.....	W. H. Davis, Creeksville.....	First.
J. Fynch, Edenton.....	Robt. R. Penwell, Aulander.....	First.
M. L. Green, Ahoskie.....	R. J. Hancock, Seaboard.....	First.
Dancy Cale, Potecasi.....	W. H. Allen, Seaboard.....	Second.
S. B. Barnes, Lewiston.....	W. T. Asbell, Windsor.....	Third.
J. K. Fant, Ahoskie.....	B. F. Williams, Harrellsville.....	Third.
Dancy Cale, Potecasi.....	C. S. Edwards, Woodland.....	Third.
S. B. Barnes, Lewiston.....	J. T. Whedbee, Quitzna.....	Fourth.
S. F. Bristoe, Coleraine.....	E. Pritchard, Windsor.....	First.
A. Cree, Seaboard.....	Edwin Wright, Jackson.....	First.
S. F. Bristoe, Coleraine.....	J. W. Langdale, Sans Souci.....	Fourth.
S. B. Barnes, Lewiston.....	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston.....	Second.
J. N. Hoggard, Severn.....	A. S. Edwards, Margarettsville.....	Third.
W. P. Jordan, Hertford.....	B. W. Lee, Rosemead.....	Fourth.
J. N. Hoggard, Severn.....	O. Parker, Murfreesboro.....	First.
A. Cree, Seaboard.....	J. L. Harris, Seaboard.....	Fourth.
J. T. Riddick, Winton.....	D. L. Parker, Mapleton.....	First and Third.
Samuel Saunders, Murfreesboro.....	Thomas A. Brett, Murfreesboro.....	Sec'd & Fourth.
M. L. Green, Ahoskie.....	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg.....	Second.
J. K. Fant, Ahoskie.....	M. L. Taylor, Aulander.....	First.
J. N. Hoggard, Severn.....	H. C. Edwards, Woodland.....	Second.
L. M. Curtis, Aulander.....	Levi Hoggard, Drew.....	Fourth.
J. A. Speight, Berkley, Va.....	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square.....	Second.
B. Leggett, Jamesville.....	W. J. Hopkins, Williamston.....	First.
D. Cale, Potecasi.....	R. C. Lasiter, Lasker.....	First.
C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.....	J. H. Stephenson, Pendleton.....	First and Third.
R. D. Cross, Windsor.....	A. S. Pritchard, Windsor.....	Fourth.
T. T. Speight, Lewiston.....	W. D. White, Windsor.....	Fourth.
J. W. Powell, Rocky Mount.....	J. H. Peele, Roxobel.....	Sec'd & Fourth.
A. Cree, Seaboard.....	S. B. Stephenson, Seaboard.....	Third.
J. N. Hoggard, Severn.....	W. H. Howell, Severn.....	Fourth.
J. R. Mathews, Hexlena.....	G. D. Leggett, Windsor.....	First.
R. T. White, Seaboard.....	A. T. Vaughan, St. John's.....	Third.
R. D. Cross, Windsor.....	A. C. Vann, Union.....	Second.
J. T. Riddick, Winton.....	S. P. Taylor, Winton.....	Second.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Male Membership		Female Membership	Pastor's Salary.		Incidental Expenses	Minute Fund		Total	Sunday School Expenses.		State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Colportage.	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief Fund.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Contributed by Sunday School.	Total Contributions and Sunday Schools.	Grand Total.	Per Capita Contribution for Benevolence.	Colored Members.
	130	200	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ahoskie	130	200	175.00	76.00	3.00	254.00	3.00	254.00	3.00	35.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	35.00	11.00	10.00	102.00	102.00	25.00	65.00	24.00	303.50	557.50	1.81	91
Aulander	116	165	300.00	82.25	2.50	384.75	2.50	384.75	2.50	35.00	20.20	30.00	20.00	30.00	20.20	30.00	60.00	60.00	10.93	283.00	100.00	610.93	995.68	1.81	91
Bethany	73	88	100.00	9.00	1.50	109.50	1.50	109.50	1.50	35.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	30.64	30.64	5.00	41.25	5.00	15.00	124.50	.09	09
Bethlehem	98	141	300.00	24.00	2.00	326.00	2.00	326.00	2.00	34.32	15.00	10.00	10.00	30.00	15.00	10.00	30.64	30.64	5.00	41.25	5.00	203.21	529.21	.79	79
Brantley's Grove	47	36	100.00	15.00	1.50	116.50	1.50	116.50	1.50	34.34	10.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	35.00	35.00	10.00	67.00	20.67	69.34	185.84	.52	52
Buckhorn	128	116	325.00	20.00	2.00	347.00	2.00	347.00	2.00	15.75	25.00	25.00	10.00	35.00	25.00	25.00	35.00	35.00	6.00	67.00	20.67	223.67	586.40	.83	83
Capchearts	105	172	137.50	20.91	1.00	158.41	1.00	158.41	1.00	15.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	29.00	5.00	5.00	6.80	6.80	1.33	67.00	20.67	57.13	230.54	.20	20
Cashie	86	153	380.00	24.30	2.50	376.80	2.50	376.80	2.50	28.49	14.27	32.04	21.32	22.67	14.27	5.64	28.79	28.79	5.79	20.00	49.01	199.53	604.82	.62	62
Cedar Branch.	40	70	50.00	15.00	1.00	66.00	1.00	66.00	1.00	66.00	25.00	4.15	10.00	5.00	25.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	60.00	60.00	24.00	4.15	70.15	.04	04
Chowan.	37	47	300.00	51.08	1.50	352.58	1.50	352.58	1.50	7.75	25.00	4.15	10.00	5.00	25.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	60.00	60.00	24.00	4.15	70.15	.04	04
Christian Harbor	56	59	66.79	7.83	.90	75.52	.90	75.52	.90	13.48	3.00	3.00	2.00	4.00	3.00	1.00	2.40	2.40	5.09	3.08	3.08	34.11	109.63	.29	29
Coleraine	113	159	150.00	55.81	2.00	207.81	2.00	207.81	2.00	10.00	25.00	20.00	10.00	20.00	25.00	10.00	57.90	57.90	17.26	18.16	3.50	141.97	349.78	.50	50
Conarata	146	258	187.00	10.00	2.50	199.50	2.50	199.50	2.50	4.00	10.00	20.00	10.00	25.00	10.00	10.00	12.59	12.59	17.26	18.16	3.50	117.01	316.51	.28	28
Creeksville.	44	46	75.00	7.50	.50	75.50	.50	75.50	.50	8.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	2.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	8.00	.80	1.19	9.00	92.50	.10	10
Dudley's Grove.	15	24	75.00	7.50	.50	75.50	.50	75.50	.50	8.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	2.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	8.00	.80	1.19	9.00	92.50	.10	10
Elam	74	147	150.00	8.00	1.00	151.00	1.00	151.00	1.00	9.50	10.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	10.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	8.00	.80	1.19	15.00	175.50	.00	00
Galatia	100	118	100.35	8.00	1.25	109.65	1.25	109.65	1.25	12.00	5.00	3.00	5.00	8.70	5.00	3.15	3.15	3.15	10.00	4.25	15.00	38.10	157.70	.17	17
Green's X Roads	76	97	75.00	.75	.75	75.75	.75	75.75	.75	3.50	3.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	3.15	3.15	3.15	10.00	4.25	15.00	25.40	104.65	.14	14
Harrellsville.	58	68	150.00	20.00	.50	170.50	.50	170.50	.50	18.91	8.00	10.00	3.33	12.00	8.00	10.42	10.42	10.42	10.00	13.40	53.00	115.24	285.74	.49	49
Hebron	136	145	150.00	14.25	2.00	166.25	2.00	166.25	2.00	6.10	5.00	10.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	2.25	2.25	2.25	5.00	2.00	2.00	54.67	227.02	.20	20
Hill Side.	25	18	50.00	10.00	.50	50.50	.50	50.50	.50	2.78	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	4.2	4.2	9.42	1.00	1.00	9.42	62.70	.20	20
Holly Grove	46	84	80.00	10.00	1.00	91.00	1.00	91.00	1.00	10.00	10.00	4.00	4.00	10.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	20.00	20.00	1.00	54.00	145.00	.41	41
Jackson	20	29	150.00	9.00	1.00	159.00	1.00	159.00	1.00	6.25	2.50	11.16	3.25	10.99	2.50	7.35	7.35	7.35	20.00	20.00	1.00	35.25	104.25	.71	71
Lawrence's X Roads	59	75	110.00	29.00	1.00	140.00	1.00	140.00	1.00	9.66	6.03	12.28	6.09	19.09	6.03	5.30	5.30	5.30	5.00	6.00	1.00	28.06	180.36	.20	20
Lewiston	78	81	37.15	37.15	1.50	74.65	1.50	74.65	1.50	9.66	3.00	6.00	6.09	19.09	3.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	4.40	1.00	62.58	210.36	.39	39
Margarettsville	26	24	75.00	15.50	.50	91.00	.50	91.00	.50	4.00	8.33	4.47	4.00	16.12	8.33	1.80	1.80	1.80	9.76	15.50	18.79	29.47	120.47	.58	58
Mars Hill	166	165	150.00	6.65	.60	150.60	.60	150.60	.60	6.65	5.00	25.84	5.00	15.00	5.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	4.00	15.50	40.00	107.58	233.43	.25	25
Meherrin	137	201	119.65	3.72	2.50	125.87	2.50	125.87	2.50	10.60	12.00	12.00	5.00	15.00	12.00	5.00	10.25	10.25	4.00	15.50	40.00	107.58	233.43	.25	25
Mt. Carmel	86	107	200.00	10.00	1.50	201.50	1.50	201.50	1.50	16.00	5.00	30.54	16.89	20.29	5.00	2.70	2.70	2.70	20.00	1.00	40.00	76.42	278.00	.27	27
Mt. Tabor.	128	148	200.00	104.88	1.58	201.58	1.58	201.58	1.58	27.40	12.50	10.00	10.22	15.00	12.50	14.46	14.46	14.46	84.88	31.56	31.56	178.62	612.40	1.47	147
Murfreesboro.	45	55	300.00	104.88	1.50	406.38	1.50	406.38	1.50	27.40	12.50	10.00	10.22	15.00	12.50	14.46	14.46	14.46	84.88	31.56	31.56	178.62	612.40	1.47	147

Pine Forest.....	24	42	75.00	.....	.85	75.85	2.50	10.00	3.00	8.00	5.00	.....	.....	1.00	.....	20.00	25.00	30.00	27.00	105.35	.40
Pleasant Grove.....	118	154	175.00	.....	1.50	176.50	10.00	15.00	10.00	20.00	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	12.00	165.00	165.00	351.50	.50
Potocasi.....	136	207	150.00	.....	2.00	192.00	18.41	12.00	5.00	25.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.40	2.41	101.75	101.75	311.16	.21
Republican.....	131	237	175.00	.....	2.50	199.00	8.41	20.00	10.00	20.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	80.21	80.21	288.52	.21
Rich Square.....	86	110	175.00	.....	1.00	310.00	26.58	25.00	5.00	.....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41.00	41.00	397.58	.20
Riddick's Grove.....	7	15	12.00	.....	.50	15.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.10	.00
Roanoke.....	54	66	100.00	.....	8.00	109.00	6.00	8.00	2.00	9.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21.00	21.00	136.00	.17
Robert's Chapel.....	171	239	400.00	.....	52.89	455.89	26.06	38.87	15.96	88.37	13.61	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.30	.....	22.88	248.92	730.87	.55
Ross.....	38	42	75.00	.....	.75	75.75	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.85	.....	1.00	3.85	81.60	.03
Sandy Run.....	244	387	200.00	.....	28.65	231.15	.....	13.69	7.00	24.04	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.07	2.44	.....	89.25	320.40	.14
Seaboard.....	193	159	300.00	.....	35.00	337.00	28.08	20.00	10.00	30.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00	.....	20.42	123.12	488.37	.39
Seyern.....	41	61	150.00	.....	20.00	171.00	12.00	15.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00	65.00	248.00	.32
Siloam.....	34	34	80.00	.....	502.00	583.00	16.32	2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.68	14.68	614.00	.08
St. Johns.....	30	45	35.00	.....	.75	36.25	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.00	.....	.....	10.00	48.25	.12
Union.....	58	62	100.00	.....	4.50	105.75	3.50	10.00	3.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	1.50	27.50	136.75	.22
Winton.....	68	71	200.00	.....	30.00	231.50	21.29	25.00	12.50	12.50	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00	25.00	191.90	444.69	1.20
Winton.....	87	85	250.00		43.30	294.80	43.16	15.00	10.00	15.00	10.00						50.00	30.00	136.55	474.51	.62

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

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CHURCHES.	No. Schools.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST-OFFICES.						Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Volumes in Library.	Quartermen and Papers Taken.
Ahoskie	1	W. H. Jernigan, Ahoskie	10	150	125	100	500					
Aulander	1	A. W. Early, Aulander	11	150	100	125	100					
Bethany	1	B. B. Robertson, Coleraine	8	68	50	50	100					
Bethlehem	1	R. P. Thomas, Bethlehem	18	132	81	260	155					
Brantley's Grove	1	J. B. Modlin, Union	12	120	70	47	110					
Buckhorn	1	G. C. Picot, Como	9	65	59	70	70					
Caphearts	1	H. J. Ward, Evansville	14	146	100	110	110					
Cashie	1	T. Gilliam, Windsor	12	118	76	100	150					
Cedar Branch	1	Stanley Lilley, Jamesville	14	35	30	50	75					
Chowan	1	John E. Vann, Winton	10	75	62	35	48					
Christian Harbor	1	J. W. Hollomon, Harrellsville	10	54	35	40	150					
Coleraine	1	G. M. Matthews, Coleraine	7	60	40	50	48					
Conarisa	1	Josiah Early, Hexleena	12	58	45	70	75					
Creekville	1	B. C. Allen, Creekville	7	60	40	40	159					
Dudley's Grove	1	J. H. Lasiter, Aulander	7	65	43	...	212					
Elam	1	C. L. Stephenson, Gumberry	7	45	35	...	...					
Galatia	1	W. H. Allen, Seaboard	13	70	50	40	...					
Green's Cross Roads	1	G. W. Castlaw, Windsor	10	100	60	100	...					
Harrellsville	1	B. F. Williams, Harrellsville	8	57	40	...	72					
Hebron	1	R. L. Garter, Woodland	7	73	45	25	...					
Hillside	1	J. F. Whedbee, Quitzna	11	45	37	...	40					
Holly Grove	2	No report	...	...	...	...	...					
Jackson	1	S. R. Buxton, Jackson	7	39	30	...	40					
Lawrence's Cross Roads	1	D. J. Cofield, Sans Souci	16	99	78	...	3					
Lewiston	1	H. J. Early, Lewiston	7	73	50	...	45					
Margarettsville	1	I. P. Parker, Margarettsville	7	42	25	38	34					
Mars Hill	1	D. W. Britton, W. D. Perry, Rosemead	15	150	130	170	170					
Meherrin	2	W. S. Nelson, Murfreesboro	15	65	50	50	150					
Mt. Carmel	1	J. L. Harris, Seaboard	11	101	70	84	72					
Mt. Tabor	1	J. D. Sewell, Mapleton	11	102	70	...	...					
Murfreesboro	1	T. A. Breth, Murfreesboro	13	95	63	40	175					
Pine Forest	1	E. H. Johnson, Garysburg	5	25	15	...	24					

Pleasant Grove.....	11	55	30	92
Potecasi.....	10	110	70	92
Republican.....	8	91	53	136
Rich Square.....	9	90	60	...
Riddick's Grove.....	4	30	25	...
Roanoke.....	9	95	60	...
Roberts' Chapel.....	15	150	135	170
Roquist.....	8	40	20	80
Ross'.....	18	133	80	140
Sandy Run.....	7	67	45	87
Seaboard.....	11	95	75	84
Severn.....	4	30	20	89
Siloam.....	7	80	50	40
St John's.....	16	101	69	150
Union.....	12	80	65	85
Winton.....				
W. W. Jenkins, Eagletown.....				
N. W. Britton, Woodland.....				
C. J. Joyner, Lewiston.....				
W. E. Clifton, Rich Square.....				
Charlie A. Hopkins, Williamston.....				
G. V. Hollomon, Lasker.....				
W. J. Beale, Pendleton.....				
J. E. Tadlock, Windsor.....				
Worley Cowan, Windsor.....				
A. T. Leverman, Roxobel.....				
J. R. Crocker, Seaboard.....				
Paul M. Fleetland, Severn.....				
C. B. Leggett, Windsor.....				
Richard Edwards, St John's.....				
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B. F. Barham, Winton.....				



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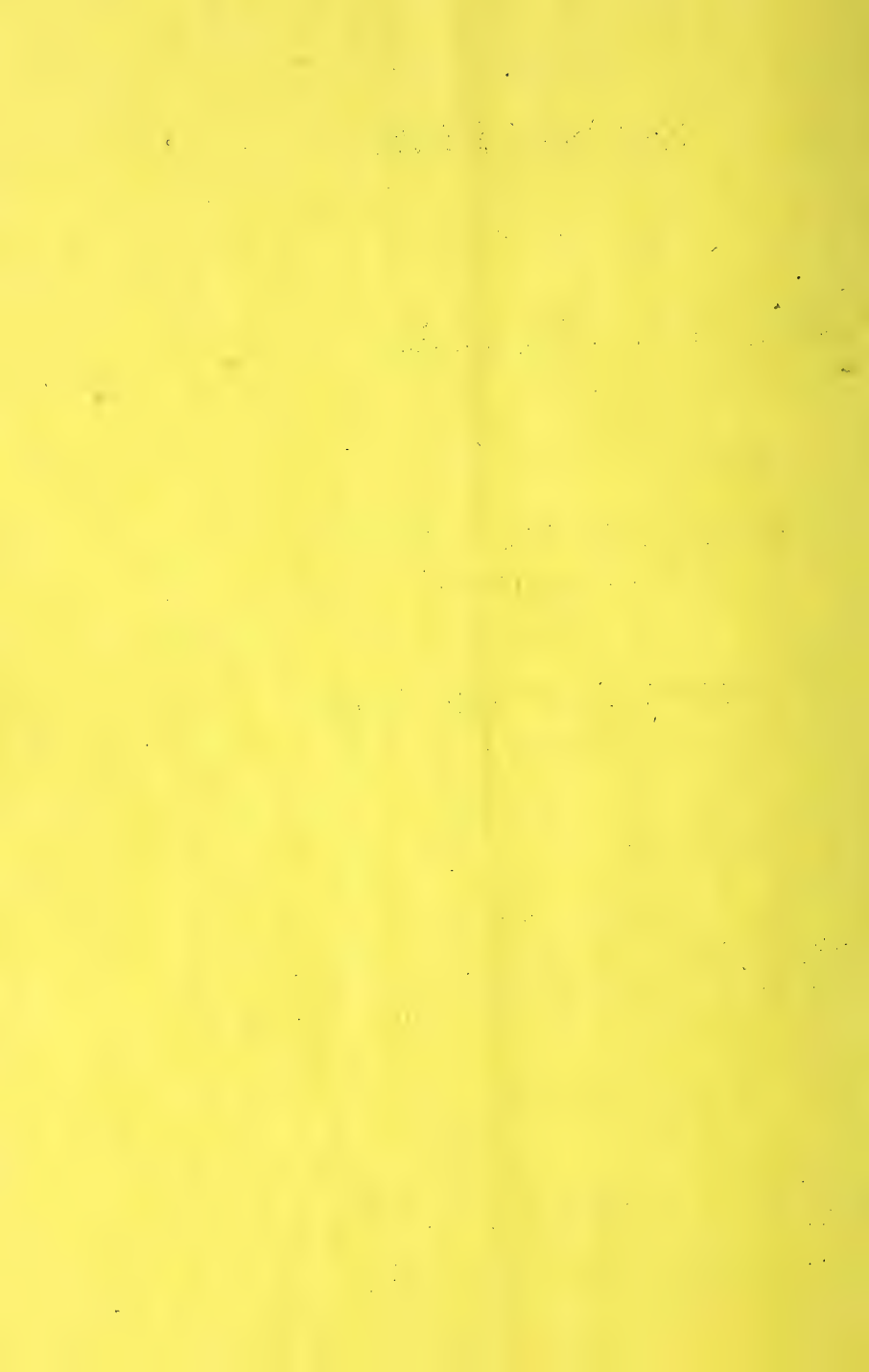
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IN THE

WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

C. E. Gower.....	Jackson, N. C.
S. F. Bristow.....	Coleraine, N. C.
Dancy Cale.....	Potecasi, N. C.
R. D. Cross.....	Windsor, N. C.
L. M. Curtis.....	Aulander, N. C.
J. C. Fleetwood.....	Margarettesville, N. C.
M. L. Green.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
J. N. Hoggard.....	Severn, N. C.
B. Leggett.....	Windsor, N. C.
J. R. Matthews.....	Hexlena, N. C.
J. B. Newton.....	Aulander, N. C.
S. B. Barnes.....	Lewiston, N. C.
G. P. Harrill.....	Mufreesboro, N. C.
C. W. Scarborough.....	Mufreesboro, N. C.
T. T. Speight.....	Lewiston, N. C.
J. T. Riddick.....	Winton, N. C.
B. B. Williams.....	Harrellsville, N. C.
E. S. Pearce.....	Pantego, N. C.

PASTORS, BUT NOT RESIDENTS IN THIS ASSOCIATION.

W. P. Jordan.....	Hertford, N. C.
J. W. Powell.....	Rocky Mount, N. C.
J. A. Speight.....	Berkley, Va.
Josephus Lynch.....	Edenton, N. C.

OFFICERS.

J. C. Scarborough.....	Moderator
J. N. Hoggard.....	Vice-Moderator.
W. R. Rayner.....	Clerk.
J. S. Mitchell.....	Treasurer.
C. W. Mitchell.....	Historian.

The above officers constitute the Executive Committee.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

- 11.00 a. m. Introductory Sermon.
- 12.00 m. Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
- 12.30 p. m. Recess.
- 2.00 p. m. Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize. Read Constitution. Call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session. Receive new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint committees.
- 3.00 p. m. Report on Temperance.
- 3.30 p. m. Report on Periodicals.
- 4.00 p. m. Assignment of Homes. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

- 9.30 a. m. Devotional exercises.
- 10.00 a. m. Routine Business.
- 10.15 a. m. Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.
- 11.00 a. m. Report on Education.
- 11.45 a. m. Report on State Missions.
- 12.30 p. m. Recess.
- 2.00 p. m. Convene. Routine Business.
- 2.10 p. m. Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
- 2.30 p. m. Report on Baptist Orphanage.
- 3.15 p. m. Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

- 9.30 a. m. Devotional Exercises.
- 10.00 a. m. Convene. Routine Business.
- 10.15 a. m. Report on Home Missions.
- 11.00 a. m. Report on Church Statistics.
- 11.15 a. m. Report of Committees. Miscellaneous Business. Adjournment.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with, said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: Provided, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECT.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

Art. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice; or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons; or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements; or upon application of a church for dismission.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the func-

tions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving—1. Locality. 2. The names of its pastor and clerk, and their respective post offices. 3. The Sabbaths of regular service. 4. The church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female. 5. Sabbath School statistics. 6. Amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund. 7. Names of delegates and alternates. 8. Any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at the time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order; and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of established parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of the same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the Minutes a historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by the vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after the organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. Adopted 1898.

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hours of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

Tuesday, October 25, 1898.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met in its sixteenth annual session this day with the church at Meherrin, Hertford County.

Elder W. P. Jordan preached the introductory sermon from Romans, 5th Chapter and 8th verse and 8th Chapter and 32nd verse.

After sermon the Association was called to order by J. C. Scarborough, Moderator.

The roll of churches was called and the delegates enrolled as follows:

Ahoskie—D. E. Newsome, W. H. Miller, J. J. Vann.

Aulander—M. E. Rice, A. W. Early, J. E. Lang.

Bethany—†Wright Evans, Alpheus Bass, B. B. Robertson.

Bethlehem—Dr. R. P. Thomas, W. P. Shaw, sr., A. B. Adkins.

Brantly's Grove—J. B. Medlin, J. A. Willoughby.

Buckhorn—R. J. Taylor, Jephtha Whitley, J. G. Majette.

Capehearts—†G. W. Cobb, †J. H. White, H. J. Ward.

Cashie—D. E. Medlin, †J. T. Mizell, †W. R. Cobb.

Cedar Branch—†J. C. Getsinger, †E. N. Simpson.

Chowan—Thos. D. Boone, Jno. C. Carter.

Christian Harbor—†J. H. Evans, J. C. Miller.

Coleraine—W. H. Harrell, W. E. Miller, G. M. Matthews.

Conaritsa—J. H. Mitchell, W. H. Hale, J. A. Williford.

Creeksville—E. C. Allen, W. J. Bridgers.

Oak Grove—Abner Lassiter, R. R. Penwell.

Elam—E. F. Guzzard, D. M. Stephenson.

Galatia—H. T. Britton, Nezzie Davis, J. R. Taylor.

Green's X Roads—R. H. Castelaw, Miles Mizell.

Harrellsville—J. J. Birch, R. F. Lowe.

Hebron—C. S. Edwards, C. F. Griffin, James K. Revel.

Hill Side—†E. C. Pittman, †E. D. Spruill.

Holly Grove—J. W. Mitchell, †E. Pritchard.

Jackson—R. W. Fleetwood, Paul J. Long.

Lawrence X Roads—J. W. Langdale, D. J. Cofield.

Lewiston—B. F. Parker, Jos. Joyner.

Margarettesville—I. P. Parker, Jordan Edwards.

- Mars Hill—W. R. Rayner, J. S. Greene, J. R. Batts, J. F. White.
 Meherrin—L. M. Parker, V. F. Stephenson, V. T. Vaughan.
 Mount. Carmel—J. T. Long, Geo. E. Hasty, G. T. Clark.
 Mount Tabor—W. T. Brown, †Drew Beale, H. L. Story.
 Murfreesboro—J. C. Scarborough, D. A. Day.
 Pine Forest—E. H. Johnson, J. R. Carstarphen.
 Pleasant Grove—M. L. Taylor, E. B. Parker, A. R. Joyner.
 Potecasi—C. R. Harrell, Abner Lassiter, E. B. Lassiter.
 Republican—C. C. Holden, C. J. Joyner, J. R. Bynum.
 Rich Square—J. T. Bolton, J. E. Copeland, J. A. Vann.
 Riddick's Grove—B. Leggett, W. J. Hopkins.
 Roanoke—R. J. Burnette, †W. J. Slade.
 Robert's Chapel—J. R. Martin, J. R. Beale, Jno. Barnes, W. J. Atkins.
 Roquist—†J. J. Gregory, †J. E. Tadlock.
 Ross—W. T. Evans, T. Q. Castelaw, James H. Morris, W. D. White.
 Sandy Run—A. T. Liyerman, W. J. Watson, C. L. L. Cobb.
 Seaboard—J. R. Crocker, C. L. N. Stephenson.
 Severn—J. J. White, G. T. Fleetwood.
 Siloam—Not represented.
 St. John's—W. P. Howard, W. T. Jenkins.
 Union—L. R. Cobb, J. E. Matthews.
 Winton—James S. Mitchell, B. F. Barham.

(Note.) Absent Brethren marked thus (†)

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, which invitation was accepted by J. B. Boone, of Orphanage; C. E. Taylor, President of Wake Forest College; J. C. Caddell, of Biblical Recorder; A. Johnson, of Charity and Children; John Mitchell, Agent of Board of Education; John E. Ray, of Raleigh; J. D. Hufham, of Henderson; and B. Craig, of Norfolk, Va.

The Moderator announced the following Committee on Credentials: D. N. Stephenson, A. E. Peele, W. H. Miller, L. R. Cobb, H. J. Ward. The Association then took a recess until 2 o'clock, p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reconvened at 2 o'clock, p. m. by singing.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the Churches in accord with the Constitution except Siloam.

The Moderator ruled that the report of the Committee was final.

The Association proceeded to elect officers which resulted as follows: J. C. Scarborough, Moderator; John N. Eoggard, vice Moderator; W. R. Rayner, Clerk; James S. Mitchell, treasurer; C. W. Mitchell, Historian.

The Clerk read the Constitution and Rules of Order.

Owing to the disagreeable weather of last session the Churches not represented were not called upon for excuses.

Under the call for New Churches, Center Grove Baptist Church made application for membership into this body, which application was referred to a committee consisting of W. P. Jordan, L. M. Curtis and T. D. Boone, to examine into the same and report to the body. The Committee reported unanimously recommending its reception.

On motion the Church was unanimously received and the Moderator extended the right-hand of fellowship to its delegates.

The Clerk announced that Cedar Branch Church asked for a letter of dismission to join with the Tar River Association.

On motion it was granted, and the Clerk required to prepare and forward the letter.

J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the State Board of Missions, made some remarks in regard to Dr. Charles E. Taylor's book on the life of Dr. M. T. Yates.

T. G. Wood from the Chowan Association made some remarks relative to Dr. R. R. Oyerby.

The special hour for the report on Temperance having arrived, S. F. Bristow offered the following :

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following :

We believe that the moderate use of intoxicating drink is almost unlimited in the scope of sin, for the moderate drinker makes the drunkard. But we are able to say that total abstinence is more and more practiced by the Christians; and the pastors and laity of the West Chowan Association are warring with this evil and are gaining victories. And God speed the day when every professing Christian will believe in and practice total abstinence.

S. F. BRISTOW,	}	Committee.
J. H. EVANS,		
GEORGE P. FLEETWOOD,		

The following brethren discussed the report: S. F. Bristow, J. H. Evans, C. W. Scarborough, Joshua Fleetwood, E. S. Pearce and J. C. Scarborough. After which the report was adopted.

L. M. Curtis read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The world's best thought to-day is not locked up in library volumes, but is issuing from the daily, weekly and monthly presses and finding a speedy entrance into the homes of all classes of our people. Comparatively few books are read, but among all classes the newspaper and magazine are found. The periodical has come to stay, and to be intel-

ligent, and in sympathetic touch with the vital issues of the present day, one must seek information through the medium of the periodical.

These facts emphasize the place and necessity of the religious newspaper. But our business is first and largely with our own people and our periodicals. The year which witnessed the charter of Wake Forest College, and of the railroad, witnessed also the establishment of the Biblical Recorder, the oldest of the religious journals of the State. For our own people no paper can supply the place of the Recorder. From its establishment it has stood the defender and the champion of all that has been material to Baptist principles, polity and progress, and has never failed to speak in the defense of the best interest of all classes of the people of the State. This to-day is its spirit and mission. We, therefore, commend the Biblical Recorder to our people as safe, sound, impartial, fearless and true.

Besides the Recorder, we commend the Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field as essential to all who would be informed about the great Mission fields of our denomination. To those who would keep in sympathetic touch with the benevolent spirit of our denomination we commend Charity and Children. For our Sunday-schools we recommend our Southern Baptist Series of Sunday school literature, and to those who would be informed as to our Denominational History in the State we commend the Baptist Historical papers.

L. M. CURTIS,
For Committee.

J. C. Caddell, of the Biblical Recorder; Dr. J. D. Hufham, of Henderson; and A. Johnson, of Charity and Children, spoke to the report, after which the report was adopted.

T. G. Wood was allowed a few minutes to make an announcement. Bro. Wood asked for \$20.00 to build a church house in Chowan Association.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—Pastor and Deacons of Meherrin Church.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHERS—C. R. Harrell, W. J. Watson, D. E. Modlin.

FINANCE—A. W. Early, George M. Matthews, J. C. Tynes.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended to allow Committee on Hospitalities to assign homes to delegates. After some announcements the body adjourned.

Benediction by Elder J. N. Hoggard.

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday, October 26, 1898.

At 9:30 a. m. the Association engaged in religious exercises, Dr. Hufham conducting the same.

The minutes of yesterday were read and corrected.

J. E. White made some remarks urging the claims of the Baptist Book Store on the brethren.

J. B. Newton asked for help for Dudley's Grove, now Oak Grove Church, to complete their church house.

A motion prevailed that the report on C. B. F. Institute and report on Education each be read and discussed together.

C. W. Mitchell read the report on C. F. B. Institute, and Dr. R. P. Thomas read the report on Education.

REPORT ON C. F. B. INSTITUTE.

The assembling of the Association at Meherrin Church in the year of our Lord, 1898, carries us back over a long period in the history of Baptist struggles and triumphs; in their onward march in extending our Redeemer's Kingdom. This spot marks the place of the first organized effort upon the part of Baptists in this Association. After laboring for years to disseminate their religious belief, and to make their faith that of the people, they realized that if they were to secure and hold Eastern North Carolina for the Baptists, they must plan for the mental and moral training of their daughters. So in October 1848, just fifty years ago, Chowan Female Institute began to make history for the Baptists of North Carolina, and from that day till the present it has been one of the most potent influences in North Carolina in building up christian character, and in refining and ennobling social and civic life. Aside from the local church, we think it safe to say, that we, as Baptists, owe as much or more to the influences set in motion through this institution, perhaps, than any other one agency. We shall not in this report undertake to give an account of its work. Two or three things we wish to put before the body:

1st. This school has not completed its work; therefore, it demands and must have a closer relationship with the churches composing this Association. It needs the patronage and prayers of our people; yea, it needs our money to enable it to measure up to the demand of our times. At this semi-centennial year of its existence, is a fit time to plan and advise larger things for this institution than ever before. There is imperative need for repairs to the buildings.

2nd. The number of trustees should be enlarged so that its field of labor may be widened and patronage increased.

3rd. Would it not be well for the Association to appoint a special committee to look closely into the management of the institution and report at our next session the result of their investigation?

The outlook for the Institute is brighter than for the past two or three years. The Trustees and the denomination are to be congratulated upon securing the services of our present efficient and wise President; a man of noble impulses, a big heart, and of strong intellect. Under his administration, and with a hearty co-operation of our Baptist people, may we not confidently look for still larger results in elevating the moral and social life of our people and building up a higher Christian standard of citizenship? Educate the head and heart of the women of North Carolina and you have North Carolina for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. MITCHELL,

For Committee.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," is the command of our Heavenly Father. To obey this command successfully the minister must be prepared for his work, and a liberal education is an important preparation. Paul, in Second Timothy 2:2, tells Timothy, "The things that thou hast heard of me, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." Men to be able to teach others must first be taught.

The object of the Board of Education is to aid young ministers called, of God and endorsed by their churches, in obtaining an education, and thus better prepare them for their work of teaching others.

God has, among his people in this State, immense stores of mind, unexplored treasurers of sanctified intellect, which need only to be developed and trained to form an array of mental and moral power that shall influence the State for Christ.

A large proportion of these richly endowed spirits are without the means of educating themselves, and unless aided by the churches and others, must enter upon their ministerial labors under the embarrassment of deficient knowledge and undisciplined faculties.

We believe it to be the duty of the churches to seek out such gifted young ministers and assist the Education Board in shaping and polishing these diamonds in the rough and make them more efficient and powerful ministers for God.

It is with sorrow that your committee have to report that while the number of students at Wake Forest is gradually increasing, the number of young ministers aided by the Board has diminished from thirty-six to twenty-nine, for want of funds.

The Secretary has applicants and only needs more money to increase the number.

In view of these facts we earnestly request that the delegates increase the pledges of the churches at least ten per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

R. P. THOMAS, }
D. E. MODLIN, } For Committee.

T. G. Wood offered to raise (\$100.00) one hundred dollars for C. B. F. Institute, if the West Chowan Association would raise (\$150.00) one hundred and fifty dollars.

The report was discussed by J. C. Scarborough, J. D. Hufham, W. P. Shaw, T. G. Wood, D. W. Britton and C. W. Scarborough.

L. M. Curtis offered a motion that this Association accept T. G. Wood's proposition. The report was left open.

The hour having arrived J. T. Riddick offered the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We, as Baptists, are proud of the past history of the State Mission Board. In many respects its struggles have been hard and many; yet its achievements have been glorious. The aim of this wisely arranged system for carrying on our Master's work is to establish Baptist churches in the destitute sections of North Carolina. We would not lessen the zeal or blight a single effort made to send the gospel across the sea to the heathen, but we most earnestly appeal to our dear people to set their hearts on giving the pure Gospel of Christ to North Carolina. Let us never be satisfied until salvation's banner shall wave in triumph over the Old North State. The Treasurer's report for the last Conventional year was \$16,335.29. The statistical report made last year at the Convention gives us the following information: Missionaries on the field, 101; persons baptized, 1,334; houses of worship building, 93; houses of worship finished, 18; value of church property, \$90,500.55. Your committee recommend: That the churches of our Association endeavor to do greater work for this cause.

2. Whereas, we are somewhat behind in the amounts pledged at our last Convention, that each Church in our Association take a special collection between this and the Convention for State Missions.

3. As we give let us pray the Lord to bless the efforts by his people.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. RIDDICK,

For Committee.

J. E. White addressed the body, after which there was a cash collection amounting to \$15.27, and churches pledged for the ensuing year as follows:

Ahoskie,	\$ 44 00	Lewiston,	\$ 5 00
Aulander,	33 00	Margarettesville,	4 00
Bethany,	6 50	Mars Hill,	22 00

Bethlehem,	33 00	Meherrin, (paid)	8 00
Brantly's Grove,	10 00	Mount Carmel,	15 00
Buckhorn,	35 00	Mount Tabor,	20 00
Capeheart's,	12 50	Murfreesboro,	12 00
Cashie,	30 00	Pine Forest,	11 00
Chowan,	25 00	Pleasant Grove,	20 00
Christian Harbor,	5 00	Potecasi,	13 20
Coleraine,	27 50	Republican,	22 00
Conaritsa,	25 00	Rich Square,	25 00
Creeksville,	5 50	Roanoke,	10 00
Oak Grove,	5 00	Robert's Chapel,	40 00
Galatia,	13 50	Roquist,	6 50
Green's X Roads,	3 50	Ross'	12 00
Elam,	10 00	Seaboard,	16 50
Harrellsville,	10 00	St. John's,	12 00
Hebron,	15 00	Severn,	5 00
Hill Side,	4 00	Sandy Run,	25 00
Holly Grove,	11 00	Union,	25 00
Jackson,	12 00	Winton, (paid)	20 00
Lawrence's X Roads,	15 00	Center Grove,	2 05

The report was then adopted and the Association took a recess until 2 o'clock, p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reconvened by singing "There is a fountain filled with blood." W. P. Shaw offered the report on

MINISTERS' RELIEF FUND.

This Board was created and began its work under the auspices of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in May 1890. It has during that time partially supported a large number of our old preachers and their families, many of whom having finished their work have gone to their reward, carrying with them their heart-felt appreciation of the timely help rendered them in the last days of their feeble health and declining years. There are 27 beneficiaries now being helped by the Board. Truly this good work cannot fail to commend itself to the Christian sympathy and support of our churches. During the present conventional year now fast drawing to its close the reported contributions made to this Board aggregate \$676.58. How much of this amount has been contributed by this body cannot at the making of this report be stated by your committee. The financial report of the minutes of the last Association shows that the amount contributed is quite small. Suggestive of the inquiry, if this is a worthy and commendable work, have we shared it to the extent of our privilege and duty? We most respectfully submit to the pastors of the Association, that, if

the object of the work, and the reason why we should be loyal to the enterprise of helping these old brethren and their families in the time of destitution and need are worthy, they strive to bring the membership of the churches in friendly sympathy and kindly touch with this noble work of charity.

W. P. SHAW,

For Committee.

After discussion by W. P. Shaw, Dr. C. E. Taylor consumed the remainder of the time in a speech on Ministerial Education.

The report was then adopted.

The hour having arrived D. Cale read the

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

We should feel grateful to God for the Orphanage at Thomasville. It is the property of the Baptists of North Carolina.

It is needless to enter into details as to what it has done and is now doing. Suffice it to say from what it has already done, though in its infancy, it is believed that it will become one of the greatest institutions of its kind in the land.

There are now 170 children in the institution and other applications on file.

No object of our convention is more worthy of our support.

D. CALE.	} Committee.
S. B. BARNES.	
J. C. VAUGHN.	

After addresses by J. B. Boone, General Manager; A. Johnson, editor Charity and Children; and T. G. Wood, of Chowan Association, a cash collection was taken amounting to \$17.49 and report adopted.

W. P. Jordan offered the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee on Foreign Missions would report the following:

We have great cause to rejoice in our work on heathen fields, for as we see it and believe it, this world is being won to Christ. We would not under-estimate any of our work that we are trying to do for the Master; but we think that this work of giving the gospel of our blessed Christ to those who have it not is the work of God's church to-day. We know we are making slow progress in this blessed work, but we think it is sure because our great Captain is ordering it, and all of His soldiers should rally to the marching orders.

Perhaps it would not be out of place here to mention our different mission fields and the number of workers on each field. The Southern Baptist Convention has missionaries at work in Italy, Japan, China, Africa, Brazil and Mexico. As reported in the Foreign Mission Jour-

nal of a few months ago, we have in Italy 3 missionaries with 28 native assistants; in Japan we have 6 missionaries with 4 native assistants; in China we have 39 missionaries with 43 native assistants; in Africa we have 7 missionaries and 7 native assistants; in Brazil we have 10 missionaries and 11 native assistants; and in Mexico we have 15 missionaries with 17 native assistants, making a grand total of 80 missionaries with 108 native assistants.

But the question may be asked: What are these among so many? The Macedonian cry is still heard, "Come over and help us!" This Association for the past several years has been doing fairly well, but your committee would urge that we strive to go forward in this glorious work.

W. P. JORDAN,

For Committee,

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the West Chowan Association convened in the Murfreesboro Baptist church, October 26th, 1898.

The absence of a suitable building in close proximity to Meherrin Church necessitated the use of the Baptist church in Murfreesboro; and the extreme inclemency of the day, in conjunction with the distance, precluded a large attendance.

The session was presided over by the president, Miss Grace T. Brown. Miss Sylla Williamson was organist, and "More love to Thee, O. Christ," was rendered with much warmth by the audience.

The President prefaced the meeting by reading Psalm XCV, and Divine aid was invoked upon the proceedings.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Miss Grace T. Brown, President; Miss Lizzie Mitchell, Vice-President; Mrs. Cattie Griffin, Treasurer; Mrs. Wm. G. Freeman, Secretary.

A letter addressed to the Societies by Miss Fannie E. S. Heck was read by Miss Lizzie Mitchell and one from Mrs. Greene by Miss Sylla Williamson.

The salutation, or address, prepared and read by the President, was fraught with counsel and great consecration to the work.

The roll of churches was then called and they reported contributions for missions as follows:

Aulander, \$6.00; Buckhorn, \$21.90; Cashie and Cashie Sun Beams, \$73.13; Elam, \$13.25; Galatia, \$18.00; Hebron, \$29.76; Holly Grove, \$5.99; Holly Grove Sunday-school, \$5.90; Lawrence's X Roads, \$7.00; Meherrin Sunbeams, \$11.36; Mt. Carmel, \$19.35; Mt. Tabor, \$26.64; Murfreesboro Sunbeams, \$12.50; Pine Forest, \$10.80; Potecasi, \$21.13; Republican, \$12.35; Rich Square, \$13.13; Roanoke, \$11.92; Robert's Chapel, \$17.11; Ross', \$32.65; Sandy Run, \$5.75. Total, \$375.62.

Boxes for Frontier Missionaries—Buckhorn, one box valued \$50.00; Roanoke, one box valued \$19.45. Total, \$69.45.

Rev. G. P. Harrill introduced Rev. C. J. F. Anderson to the Society as the Orator.

"To the Work" was inspiringly sung, after which an address on "Woman and her Work" was delivered by Rev. Mr. Anderson.

A collection was taken up for the Orphanage, amounting to \$1.54; and the meeting adjourned by singing "God be with you," &c.

MISS GRACE T. BROWN, President.

Mrs. W. G. FREEMAN, Secretary.

J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary, addressed the Association, after which the delegates pledged as follows:

Ahoskie,	\$35.00	Margarettsville,	4.00
Atlander,	50.00	Mars Hill,	40.00
Bethany,	5.00	Meherrin,	8.00
Bethlehem,	30.00	Mt. Carmel,	15.00
Brantley's Grove,	10.00	Mt. Tabor,	15.00
Buckhorn,	35.00	Murfreesboro,	8.00
Capehearts,	25.00	Oak Grove,	3.00
Cashie,	25.00	Pine Forest,	8.00
Chowan,	50.00	Pleasant Grove,	20.00
Christian Harbor,	2.00	Potocasi,	25.00
Coleraine,	25.00	Republican,	20.00
Conaritsa,	25.00	Rich Square,	10.00
Creeksville,	4.00	Roanoke,	8.00
Center Grove,	3.35	Robert's Chapel,	50.00
Elam,	20.00	Roquist,	5.00
Galatia,	10.00	Ross',	20.00
Green's X Roads,	5.00	Seaboard,	10.00
Harrellsville,	12.00	St. John's,	10.00
Hebron,	15.00	Severn,	1.00
Hill Side,	2.00	Sandy Run,	30.00
Holly Grove,	10.00	Union,	12.50
Jackson,	9.00	Winton,	15.00
Lawrence's X Roads,	6.00	Riddick's Grove,	2.00
Lewiston,	10.00		

A letter from Rev. T. C. Britton, Missionary to China, was read and the Clerk was requested to reply to Bro. Britton in behalf of the body and a copy of Bro. Britton's letter be spread upon the Minutes.

C. W. Scarborough offered the following:

That the report of the Women's Missionary Society for this Associa

tion be printed with the Minutes of our Association and in connection with the report on Foreign Missions.

The Association then adjourned.

Benediction by T. T. Speight.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, October 27, '98

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 10 o'clock, a. m.

The Clerk read the minutes of yesterday.

On motion the reports on C. B. F. Institute and Education were taken up. L. M. Curtis' motion that this Association assume \$150 for C. B. F. Institute was carried. The reports were further discussed by Dr. John Mitchell and Joshua Fleetwood, and adopted.

There was a motion that the churches be requested to pay the same amounts to Ministerial Education that they paid last year, and that those churches which pay nothing to this object be requested to pay to this board as to others. The Clerk is requested to place the amounts pledged last year opposite the names of the churches.

The following are the amounts :

Aulander,	\$20 00	Mt. Carmel,	5.00
Bethany,	2.00	Mt. Tabor,	5.00
Bethlehem,	15.00	Murfreesboro,	5.00
Buckhorn,	25 00	Pine Forest,	5.00
Capehearts,	5.00	Pleasant Grove,	15.00
Cashie,	10 00	Potocasi,	10.00
Chowan,	20.00	Republican,	10.00
Coleraine,	5.00	Rich Square,	6.00
Conaritsa,	10.00	Roanoke,	2.00
Elam,	10.00	Roberts Chapel,	10.00
Harrellsville,	8.00	Roquist,	5.00
Hebron,	5.00	Ross'	3.00
Holly Grove,	10.00	Sandy Run,	10.00
Jackson,	2.50	Seaboard,	5.00
Lewiston,	2.50	Severn,	1.00
Margarettesville,	1.00	Union,	10.00
Mars Hill,	10.00	Winton,	10.00
Meherrin,	13.00		

On motion the regular order of business was suspended and T. T. Speight offered the following resolution :

That Section 2 of the Resolution of our Constitution which reads :
 "This Committee to have the right to interpret the meaning of the Constitution" be stricken out and the following substituted in its place :

"The report of this Committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report."

The hour having arrived for the consideration of Home Missions, C. W. Scarborough read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The field of our Home Board is our entire Southland and the Island of Cuba.

To this now should be added the Island of Porto Rico.

There is great destitution in this field, and urgent need of enlarged operations.

Last year the number of missionaries was 372, which has been increased this year to about 400.

These missionaries preach the gospel, visit the sick and the needy, establish Sunday-schools, organize churches, build houses of worship, and distribute Bibles and Testaments, tracts and other religious literature.

Last year they performed 11,000 weeks of labor, preached 48,500 sermons in nearly 200 different places, reaching with the word of life probably 250,000 people. They added 9,455 members to the churches, constituted 139 new churches, built and improved 186 houses of worship, organized 313 Sunday-schools, into which they gathered more than 10,000 children, made 62,000 religious visits, put into homes nearly 3,000 Bibles and Testaments, and scattered 650,000 pages of tracts. And the figures for this year will exceed those of last year.

The money expended this year for Home Missions and for building houses of worship exceeds that used last year by \$13,424.68.

In the three States in which our denomination is weak, viz: Arkansas, Florida and Louisiana, the Board employed 98 missionaries, while three times that number would scarcely have met their necessities.

In that part of the work called Frontier Missions the Board employed 100 missionaries.

In the mountain regions they have about 80 missionaries.

The educational work is making marked progress.

The Board is doing a very important work among the foreign population in a number of cities, principally in Baltimore, Louisville, St. Louis and Kansas City.

Encouraging success attends the work on all these fields.

Indefinite advancement could be made if only the money needed could be supplied.

Our work in Cuba was seriously interfered with by the war.

Our female missionaries in Havana have been very faithful during the war, keeping up all day and Sunday-schools under circumstances of great privation and hardship.

At his suggestion the connection of Rev. A. J. Diaz with our Home

Board was severed some 18 months ago. He has recently returned to Havana and is at work under the auspices of the American Baptist Publication Society. He has been elected by the Havana church as its pastor and as administrator of the property. They need, however, our sympathy and prayers and increased contributions. A great door is opening before us. We must enter in.

SAMUEL SAUNDERS.

The report was discussed by C. E. Gower, E. S. Pearce and J. E. White.

The delegates pledged the following amounts for the churches :

Ahoskie,	10.00	Lawrence's X Road,	2.00
Aulander,	20.00	Lewiston,	5.00
Bethany,	3.00	Margarettesville,	5.00
Bethlehem,	13.00	Mars Hill,	10.00
Brantley's Grove,	5.00	Mt. Carmel,	5.00
Buckhorn,	10.00	Mt. Tabor,	5.00
Capehearts,	5.00	Murfreesboro,	10.00
Cashie,	8.00	Pine Forest,	3.00
Chowan,	10.00	Pleasant Grove,	10.00
Christian Harbor,	2.00	Potocasi,	5.00
Coleraine,	5.00	Republican,	10.00
Conaritsa,	10.00	Rich Square,	5.00
Creeksville,	1.00	Roanoke,	2.00
Center Grove, (paid)	2.38	Robert's Chapel,	20.00
Elam,	5.00	Roquist,	5.00
Galatia,	5.00	Ross',	10.00
Green's X Roads,	2.00	Seaboard,	10.00
Harrellsville,	12.00	St. John's,	5.00
Hebron,	5.00	Severn,	1.00
Hill Side,	2.00	Sandy Run,	10.00
Holly Grove,	4.00	Union,	12.50
Jackson,	5.00	Winton,	10.00

On motion the report was adopted.

The Moderator announced the following standing Committees :

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.—H. W. Miller, L. R. Cobb, W. J. Watson.

COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.—J. A. Speight, G. M. Matthews, R. S. White.

CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.—W. P. Shaw, D. W. Britton, J. H. Mitchell.

COMMITTEE ON STATE MISSIONS.—J. C. Lines, R. D. Cross, J. W. Fleetwood.

EDUCATION.—G. P. Harrill, N. W. Britton, D. N. Stephenson.

MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.—A. W. Early, J. D. Babb, A. E. Peele.

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.—C. W. Scarborough, C. E. Gower, E. S. Pearce.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—L. M. Curtis, G. W. Liverman, J. B. Newton.

HOME MISSIONS.—J. W. Mitchell, W. T. Evans, C. C. Holder.

CHURCH STATISTICS.—J. S. Mitchell, W. P. Howard, Alpheus Bass.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—John C. Scarborough, John N. Hoggard, W. R. Rayner, James S. Mitchell, C. W. Mitchell.

No report from Committee on Church Statistics, owing to the failure of the committee to be present.

The Committee on Time Place and Preachers for next Session report as follows :

Time, Tuesday after the Fourth Sunday in September, 1899. Place, Ahoskie Baptist Church, Hertford County, N. C. To preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. J. A. Speight : alternate, Rev. Dancy Cole.

A motion that we substitute October in place of September as proposed by the committee.

The substitute was adopted in place of original and the time will be Tuesday after the Fourth Sunday in October, 1899.

C. W. Scarborough gave notice that he would offer a resolution at the next session to dissolve the order of business and a committee appointed each day to prepare a program for each day.

The Moderator was elected delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, and L. M. Curtis, alternate.

The following were elected delegates to the State Convention : W. P. Shaw, J. W. Fleetwood and C. W. Mitchell.

T. T. Speight offered the following :

That the Clerk be allowed \$25.00 for his services in the preparation of the Minutes and the same be distributed to the Churches according to membership. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The Treasurer made the following report :

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FROM OCTOBER 26TH, 1897, TO OCTOBER 25TH, 1898.

Received from Finance Committee, 1897 :

For Foreign Missions	\$ 174.80
State Missions.....	141.71
Home Missions.....	64.94
Ministerial Education.....	57.93
Orphanage.....	11.11
Minute Fund.....	44.69

Total amount received..... \$ 495.18

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Paid Clerk..... \$25.00

For Printing Minutes.....	\$19.69
Paid J. B. Boone for Orphanage.....	11.11
Jno. Mitchell for Ministerial Education.....	57.93
Foreign Missions.....	174.80
State Missions.....	141.71
Home Missions.....	64.94

Total amount paid out..... \$ 495 18

JAMES S. MITCHELL,

Treasurer West Chowan Association.

The Finance Committee offered the following report :

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Received for State Missions.....	\$126.61
“ “ Home Missions.....	55.29
“ “ Foreign Missions.....	186.89
“ “ Baptist Orphanage.....	37.22
“ “ Education.....	89.09
“ “ Ministers' Relief Fund.....	1.07
“ “ Minute Fund.....	67.30
Total amount received.....	\$563.47
To Amount paid Treasurer.....	\$563.47
	\$563.57 \$563.47

C. E. Gower offered the following :

That in view of the fact that we have received great kindness and Eastern North Carolina hospitality from this Church and community, we express in this way our appreciation of these great favors.

CORRESPONDING MESSENGERS.

To Chowan Association—T. T. Speight, M. L. Green, D. W. Britton.

To Portsmouth Association—C. W. Mitchell, J. B. Newton, G. M. Matthews.

To Tar River Association—C. W. Scarborough, J. A. Speight, G. P. Harrill.

The Moderator, Chairman of the Executive Committee, made the following report :

Amount paid M. L. Green at Pine Forest Church \$25.00, S. B. Barnes at Hill Side Church \$25.00, B. Leggett \$25.00 for his mission field in Martin county.

On motion the Association adjourned after singing “God be with you till we meet again” and being led in prayer by B. Craig.

Rev. J. E. White preached in the afternoon at 2:30 P. M.

J. C. SCARBOROUGH, Moderator.

W. R. RAYNER, Clerk.

APPENDIX.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

As the sight of Lexington, Concord and Jamestown, awaken and thrill the soul of the citizens with emotions of deepest patriotism and brings to remembrance the glorious achievements of our Christian fathers of the Revolution, equally so does the sight of those spots, where our fathers first organized on North Carolina soil for the propagation and dissemination of Baptist principles, awaken and enkindle in the heart of every Baptist the deepest interest and brings to us a remembrance of the trials and struggles encountered by our fathers nearly two centuries ago, at a time when to be a Baptist meant to be a martyr. Such a spot marks the ground where now stands Meherrin Church, near the beautiful town of Murfreesboro on the Meherrin river in the county of Hertford. Here the Sixteenth Annual Session of the West Chowan Association convened October 25th to 27th. As the representatives from the fifty churches, all offsprings of this, the parent church, began to assemble and tread upon the soil of this historic spot, it was the feeling of every one that the place where each foot trod, was consecrated, holy ground. Here in 1729, Joseph and Wm. Parker came from Camden county and organized Meherrin Church, the first church west of the Chowan river, and the second Baptist church in North Carolina, Paul Palmer having organized Shiloh Church in Camden county two years prior. Doubtless Wm. and Joseph Parker were members of Shiloh, the first organization of Baptists in the State. Looking back over years that have intervened, surely we have great cause to rejoice at the marvelous growth of our denomination.

The session of the Association was happily opened by a very impressive and sweet-spirited sermon by the Rev. W. P. Jordan, the regular appointee to preach the Introductory Sermon. The churches were represented with full delegations, about all of them reporting having measured up to the request made of them at the last session of the Association—some going beyond. The various objects of the denomination were brought before the Association: Temperance, Religious Literature, State, Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Orphanage, Ministers' Relief. Quite a number of prominent and leading Baptists from

other Associations were present. Among the many present the writer now recalls Dr. C. E. Taylor, Dr. J. D. Hufham, Dr. John Mitchell, Revs. Jno. E. White, J. B. Boone, O. L. Stringfield and T. G. Wood and Anderson, and Brethren John E. Ray, J. B. Brewer, J. C. Caddell, E. E. Hilliard and M. J. Nolley, of Baltimore—also Bro. Johnson, editor of *Charity and Children*.

One new church—Centre Grove—was admitted to membership in the Association. This church is located in Bertie county, not far from the dividing line of Hertford and Bertie, near the old homestead of Dr. A. J. Askew, members from Ahoskie and Conaritsa largely composing the new church. The Association turned its face towards the rising, rather than the setting sun, and determined to attempt still greater things for the extension of the Lord's Kingdom. Interesting speeches were made by brethren White, Hufham, Taylor, Boone, Johnson, Wood, Caddell and others.

These annual gatherings remind us each year that the Lord is continually calling some of his people to cease their labors here, and come home. During the past year a number of our Brethren and Sisters have ceased to be members of the church Militant here, but have gone to unite with the Church Triumphant.

We would not close this brief epitome of the work of the Association without mentioning the generous and warm reception tendered the Association by the members of our mother church, Meherrin; also note the presence of the venerable and beloved John N. Hoggard, who for nearly fifty years has held the pastorate of the church. In the 169 years of the church's existence, 12 or 13 ministers have filled the pastorate for those years, the most of them serving a long pastorate.

One church..... was granted letter of dismission to unite with the Tar River Association. The Association having completed its labor, adjourned to meet with Ahoskie church in October, 1899.

C. W. MITCHELL,
Historian.

REPORT

OF THE

WEST CHOWAN SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The West Chowan Sunday-school Convention met in its ninth annual session with Chowan Baptist Church, Winton, Hertford county, July 29, 30 and 31, 1898.

Introductory sermon was preached by Elder Thomas Speight, from Col. 3:16.

Roll call showed 48 schools represented.

Reorganization resulted in the election of D. W. Britton, President; A. B. Adkins, Vice President; W. J. Beale, Secretary; A. W. Earley, Treasurer.

Subjects discussed:

1. The Obligation of Our Sunday-schools to teach Denominational Principles. Discussed by J. W. Fleetwood, W. J. Beale and Alex. Speight.

2. Uses and abuses of Sunday-school Helps. Discussed by A. W. Early, J. B. Newton, N. W. Britton, Hon. J. C. Scarboro and C. W. Scarboro.

3. Education. (Substitute.) Discussed by Prof. Chas. Brewer of Wake Forest and J. C. Scarboro. Remarks by W. P. Shaw, Sr.

4. Can the Sunday-school relieve the parents of the responsibility of home training? Discussed by T. D. Boone, S. F. Bristow, C. W. Scarboro and Alex. Speight.

5. Relation of the Sunday-school (a) to public morals, (b) to good citizenship. Discussed by W. P. Shaw, Sr., C. W. Scarboro.

6. The Pastor's Place in the Sunday-school. Discussed by R. P. Thomas. Remarks by C. W. Scarboro, L. M. Curtis, T. D. Boone, G. W. Matthews.

7. Is there the attention given to the memorizing of Scripture in the Sunday-school that its importance demands? Discussed by W. R. Rayner, James White, T. D. Boone.

On motion of J. B. Newton the convention recommended the Southern Series of Literature through our Baptist Supply Store at Raleigh.

Sunday sermon was preached by Elder Harrill from Phil. 2:5.

Next session meets with Buck Horn Baptist church in Hertford county, Friday before the 5th Lord's day in July, 1899.

To preach Introductory Sermon, S. F. Bristow; Alternate, D. Cale.

To preach Sunday Sermon at 11 A. M., J. A. Speight; Alternate, J. C. Mizzell.

D. W. BRITTON, President.

W. J. BEALE, Secretary.

T. C. BRITTON'S LETTER TO THE ASSOCIATION.

Soochow, China, Aug. 18th, 1898.

Dear Brethren of the W. C. Association:

May the Lord greatly bless and encourage you in this your annual meeting, and may the coming year be the most prosperous for all the churches that they have ever had. Please accept our most hearty greetings to the entire brotherhood, and hear a few words from us.

I believe that I wrote the Union Meeting about the sessions of our Kiangsu Baptist Association (composed of the six churches in Central China) that were held here in May, at which the fifteen delegates discussed with interest, harmony and decorum such subjects as the work of our Central China Home Mission Society (Baptist,) Education, a Baptist printing press for China, the Lord's Supper, etc. It was altogether encouraging and enjoyable.

Besides our regular Sunday-school and two preaching services on Sunday, as some of you doubtless know, we devote one hour especially to the children and women, Mrs. Britton teaching the latter and I the former. At these meetings about fifty come together and engage in singing, memorizing Scripture texts and in other methods of learning about Jesus and the great salvation. Several of the women, who have attended these and Mrs. Britton's Woman's Prayer Meeting, have shown great interest in their souls' salvation. It is especially gratifying to us to see the children of our section of the city loving to attend, and enjoying the meetings, where we can try to train them for God and his cause.

We have had quite a hot summer, which the Lord has enabled us to spend in our work here. And we do thank Him so much for this special blessing, for He has prospered His work here beyond anything that we have experienced since coming to this field. In addition to the regular three or four preaching services that we have weekly, we have held two special meetings of two weeks' duration, the last of which closed last Sunday. We were helped in the woman's work in the first of these meetings by two of our sisters from Shanghai, and by our native evangelist in Quinsan at the last. Until this summer, many of you doubtless have noticed that we had not had any additions by baptism to our church here in four or five years. About two months ago one man was received, and he has almost daily attended a Bible class that I have

been teaching and has made gratifying progress in the knowledge of the gospel, and another was received last Sunday. Both of these are heads of families. The latter is the village school teacher, of whom I wrote the Union Meeting. He had announced his purpose to come in and join last Sunday some time ago. I was out to see him last week, and observed that he still had his idol, a six or eight inch-high image of Confucius, situated on his table in his school room. On speaking to him about it, he said that he had not worshipped it in a long time but that his scholars did, and that he was going to remove it. The scholars are expected in the morning on entering the school-room, first to bow to this image, and then to the teacher. I asked him if he was willing to give me the image, and he readily agreed, and brought it in on Sunday morning, when he came to unite with the church. I hope, the Lord willing, to show this idol to you some day. His younger brother, who is also a village teacher, also came five miles from the country to join the church at the same time, but the church thought best not to receive him at that time, as his experience was not altogether satisfactory. But he says that he is going to offer again next Sunday, and he really seems to be very much in earnest. Another gentleman, a weaver of silk, and head of a family, was received at our prayer meeting yesterday to be baptized on Sunday. We do thank the Lord so much for these three new members, trophies of the Cross, and evidence of God's presence with, and favor to, us. And I am sure that many of you have prayed long and patiently with us for the work here, and now that we have these encouragements, I want you to rejoice, praise God and take courage with us. There are others that seem deeply interested in the gospel. And we do hope that this is the beginning of what will be a great and continued harvest of souls in all this section of the city and country. These are the "mercy drops," and I do believe that the "showers" are in store for us. Oh, Brethren, let us, while we praise, continue to pray and work with ever added diligence, and the reward is sure.

Your brother for Christ and China,

T. C. BRITTON.

August 22. On yesterday (Sunday) two others were baptized, making four this summer. Praise the Lord.

T. C. B.

CHURCH STATISTICS AND

CHURCHES.	Location and Date of Constitution.	ADDITIONS.			LOSSES.			White Males.	White Females.	Total White.	Colored.	Grand total.
		Baptism.	Letter.	Restored.	Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.					
Ahoskie.....	Hertford.....1812	21	7	4	47	3	4	122	192	314	...	314
Aulander.....	Bertie.....1886	18	4	3	17	1	2	112	163	275	...	275
Bethany.....	Bertie.....1831	...	7	2	4	5	1	79	90	169	...	169
Bethlehem.....	Hertford.....1835	7	7	1	3	1	1	99	145	244	...	244
Brantley's Grove....	Hertford.....1877	...	3	1	4	2	2	46	82	128	...	128
Buckhorn.....	Hertford.....1837	...	2	...	5	4	2	115	114	229	...	229
Capeheart's.....	Bertie.....1824	37	2	15	5	2	5	133	184	318	1	319
Cashie.....	Bertie.....1778	10	7	6	3	...	2	90	162	252	...	252
Centre Grove.....	Bertie.....1897	26	11	...	1	...	...	38	49	87	...	87
Christian Harbor....	Hertford.....1881	2	1	3	1	9	1	53	62	115	...	115
Coleraine.....	Bertie.....1786	4	5	1	5	10	4	110	153	263	...	263
Conaritsa.....	Bertie.....1789	31	1	6	18	3	1	154	258	412	...	412
Creeksville.....	Northampton.....1892	...	...	...	1	...	...	44	46	90	...	90
Elam.....	Northampton.....1844	1	...	...	6	2	2	66	143	209	...	209
Galatia.....	Northampton.....1859	6	2	...	8	1	3	99	132	231	...	231
Green's X Roads.....	Bertie.....1874	10	2	2	3	2	...	82	98	180	...	180
Harrellsville.....	Hertford.....1875	...	...	...	4	...	...	53	68	121	...	121
Hebron.....	Northampton.....1856	...	7	...	12	5	2	136	141	277	...	277
Hill Side.....	Bertie.....1885	10	4	1	7	3	2	22	19	41	...	41
Holly Grove.....	Bertie.....1804	...	4	...	4	2	1	48	72	120	...	120
Jackson.....	Northampton.....1882	19	6	2	2	...	1	30	52	82	...	82
Lawrence's X Roads	Bertie.....1874	20	1	5	2	2	...	68	88	156	...	156
Lewiston.....	Bertie.....1883	25	11	3	2	3	2	99	91	190	...	190
Margarettsville....	Northampton.....1889	5	...	...	1	...	...	26	24	50	...	50
Mars Hill.....	Bertie.....1854	16	1	2	6	3	1	169	168	337	...	337
Meherrin.....	Hertford.....1773	6	4	1	8	3	3	135	195	330	2	332
Mount Carmel.....	Northampton.....1826	8	...	...	14	1	...	80	99	179	...	179
Mount Tabor.....	Hertford.....1839	8	...	...	5	4	2	125	146	271	...	271
Murfreesboro.....	Hertford.....1842	...	11	...	11	1	...	44	55	99	...	99
Oak Grove.....	Hertford.....1894	7	6	3	1	...	1	22	29	51	...	51
Pine Forest.....	Northampton.....1888	1	...	...	...	...	...	24	43	67	...	67
Pleasant Grove.....	Hertford.....1837	20	5	2	9	2	2	115	141	256	...	256
Potocasi.....	Northampton.....1868	5	1	...	8	1	4	130	201	331	...	331
Republican.....	Bertie.....1803	9	2	2	9	1	4	136	240	376	...	376
Rich Square.....	Northampton.....1854	10	6	2	5	6	4	86	115	201	...	201
Riddick's Grove....	Martin.....1893	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	15	25	...	25
Roanoke.....	Northampton.....1885	13	2	...	6	1	2	53	69	122	...	122
Robert's Chapel....	Northampton.....1848	25	4	3	4	7	5	180	244	424	...	424
Roquist.....	Bertie.....1878	6	2	1	2	...	1	40	42	82	...	82
Ross.....	Bertie.....1804	50	...	10	8	17	13	259	393	652	...	652
Sandy Run.....	Bertie.....1759	23	12	10	2	7	2	124	171	295	...	295
Seaboard.....	Northampton.....1889	6	14	...	7	...	...	48	65	113	...	113
Severn.....	Hertford.....1896	...	4	...	1	...	...	37	35	72	...	72
St. John's.....	Hertford.....1883	13	2	3	1	2	...	64	67	131	...	131
Chowan.....	Hertford.....1895	4	2	...	3	1	...	37	50	87	...	87
Union.....	Hertford.....1885	8	7	2	2	1	2	76	80	156	...	156
Winton.....	Hertford.....1873	30	13	7	3	2	4	100	103	203	...	203
Totals.....	.....	520	192	103	276	128	88	4018	5394	9412	3	9415

PASTORS AND CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES.		CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.		Sabbath of Preaching.
R. D. Cross.....	Windsor.....	B. E. Copeland.....	Ahoskie.....	Fourth.....
L. M. Curtis.....	Aulander.....	C. W. Mitchell.....	Aulander.....	Second, Fourth..
S. B. Barnes.....	Lewiston.....	G. T. Pearce.....	Coleraine.....	First.....
L. M. Curtis.....	Aulander.....	A. B. Atkins.....	Bethlehem.....	First, Third.....
D. Cale.....	Potocasi.....	W. G. Cowan.....	Cofield.....	First.....
C. W. Scarborough	Murfreesboro.....	S. P. Winborne.....	Como.....	Second, Fourth..
J. A. Speight.....	Ahoskie.....	H. J. Ward.....	Evansville.....	First.....
R. D. Cross.....	Windsor.....	D. E. Modlin.....	Windsor.....	First, Third.....
L. M. Curtis.....	Aulander.....	C. S. Godwin.....	Ahoskie.....	First.....
S. F. Bristow.....	Coleraine.....	J. W. Holloman.....	Harrellsville.....	Third.....
S. F. Bristow.....	Coleraine.....	H. E. Wilson.....	Coleraine.....	Third.....
T. T. Speight.....	Lewiston.....	C. M. Early.....	Aulander.....	Third.....
D. Cale.....	Potocasi.....	W. H. Davis.....	Creeksville.....	Second.....
M. L. Green.....	Ahoskie.....	R. J. Hancock.....	Seaboard.....	First.....
Dancy Cale.....	Potocasi.....	W. H. Allen.....	Seaboard.....	Second.....
S. B. Barnes.....	Lewiston.....	M. W. White.....	Windsor.....	Third.....
J. A. Speight.....	Ahoskie.....	D. Taylor.....	Harrellsville.....	Third.....
Dancy Cale.....	Potocasi.....	A. T. Vick.....	.....	Third.....
S. B. Barnes.....	Lewiston.....	J. F. Whedbee.....	Quitsna.....	Fourth.....
S. F. Bristow.....	Coleraine.....	E. Pritchard.....	Windsor.....	First.....
C. E. Gower.....	Jackson.....	Edwin Wright.....	Jackson.....	Third.....
E. S. Pearce.....	Pantego.....	J. W. Langdale.....	Sans Souci.....	Fourth.....
S. B. Barnes.....	Lewiston.....	W. J. Barnes.....	Lewiston.....	Second.....
C. E. Gower.....	Jackson.....	A. S. Edwards.....	Margarettsville	Second.....
W. P. Jordan.....	Hertford.....	B. W. Lee.....	Rosemead.....	Fourth.....
John N. Hoggard.....	Severn.....	O. Parker.....	Murfreesboro.....	Third.....
C. E. Gower.....	Jackson.....	J. L. Harris.....	Seaboard.....	Fourth.....
J. T. Riddick.....	Winton.....	D. S. Parker.....	Mapleton.....	Third.....
G. P. Harrill.....	Murfreesboro.....	T. A. Britt.....	Murfreesboro.....	Second, Fourth..
J. B. Newton.....	Aulander.....	Rob't R. Penwell.....	Aulander.....	First.....
M. L. Green.....	Ahoskie.....	J. R. Carstarphen.....	Garysburg.....	First.....
L. M. Curtis.....	Aulander.....	M. L. Taylor.....	Aulander.....	Fourth.....
J. N. Hoggard.....	Severn.....	H. C. Edwards.....	Woodland.....	Second.....
S. F. Bristow.....	Coleraine.....	Levi Hoggard.....	Aulander.....	Fourth.....
J. A. Speight.....	Ahoskie.....	J. T. Bolton.....	Rich Square.....	Second.....
B. Leggett.....	Williamston.....	W. J. Hopkins.....	Williamston.....	First.....
Dancy Cale.....	Potocasi.....	R. C. Lasiter.....	Lasker.....	Fourth.....
C. W. Scarborough	Murfreesboro.....	J. H. Stepenson.....	Pendleton.....	First, Third.....
S. B. Barnes.....	Lewiston.....	A. L. Pritchard.....	Windsor.....	Third.....
J. A. Speight.....	Ahoskie.....	W. D. White.....	Windsor.....	Fourth.....
T. T. Speight.....	Lewiston.....	J. H. Peele.....	Roxobel.....	Second, Fourth..
C. E. Gower.....	Jackson.....	S. B. Stephenson.....	Seaboard.....	Third.....
John N. Hoggard.....	Severn.....	W. H. Howell.....	Severn.....	Fourth.....
J. T. Riddick.....	Winton.....	A. T. Vaughan.....	St. John's.....	First.....
Geo. P. Harrill.....	Murfreesboro.....	Geo. A. Brown.....	Winton.....	First, Fourth.....
R. D. Cross.....	Windsor.....	A. C. Vann.....	Union.....	Second.....
J. T. Riddick.....	Winton.....	S. B. Taylor.....	Winton.....	Second.....

Minutes of the
FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Male Membership.	Female Membership.	Pastor's Salary.	Minute Fund.	Incidental Expenses and Repairs.	Total.	State Missions.
Ahoskie.....	122	192	\$175.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 28.30	\$206.30	\$40.00
Aulander.....	112	163	300.00	2.00	111.25	413.25	35.00
Bethany.....	79	90	115.00	1.00	146.00	262.00	5.00
Bethlehem.....	99	145	300.00	2.50	25.00	327.50	30.00
Brantley's Grove.....	46	82	100.00	1.50	49.65	151.15	10.00
Buckhorn.....	115	114	325.00	2.00	23.90	350.90	27.50
Capeheart's.....	133	184	137.50	1.00	14.05	152.55	11.00
Cashie.....	90	161	350.00	.....	60.27	410.27	13.40
Centre Grove.....	38	49	60.00	.75	34.40	95.15	.....
Chowan.....	37	50	250.00	1.50	23.01	274.51	25.00
Christian Harbor.....	53	62	65.00	.50	6.05	71.55	5.00
Coleraine.....	110	153	150.00	1.05	86.67	237.72	28.49
Conaritsa.....	154	258	198.00	2.50	12.00	212.50	20.00
Creeksville.....	44	46	75.00	1.00	15.00	91.00	.....
Elam.....	66	143	125.00	1.00	.....	126.00	9.67
Galatia.....	99	132	121.48	1.00	8.00	130.48	13.20
Green's X Roads.....	82	98	75.00	.....	.....	75.00	3.00
Harrellsville.....	53	68	150.00	1.00	20.00	171.00	10.00
Hebron.....	136	141	135.00	2.00	15.00	152.00	11.00
Hill Side.....	22	19	50.00	.50	.....	50.00	3.00
Holly Grove.....	48	72	100.00	1.00	15.00	116.00	10.00
Jackson.....	30	52	125.00	.....	12.00	137.00	11.00
Lawrence's X Roads.....	68	85	100.00	2.00	14.75	116.75	12.55
Lewiston.....	99	91	100.00	2.00	23.31	125.31	11.00
Margarettsville.....	26	24	75.00	1.00	10.25	86.25	6.60
Mars Hill.....	169	168	150.00	1.00	.....	151.00	22.00
Meherrin.....	135	195	80.75	2.50	62.93	146.18	8.00
Mount Carmel.....	80	99	125.00	.....	10.00	135.00	16.50
Mount Tabor.....	125	146	200.00	.....	.....	200.00	36.54
Murfreesboro.....	44	55	250.00	1.75	144.02	395.77	10.00
Pine Forest.....	24	43	90.00	.50	.....	90.50	10.00
Pleasant Grove.....	115	141	200.00	1.50	57.00	258.50	20.00
Potocasi.....	130	201	150.00	2.00	35.00	187.00	13.20
Republican.....	136	240	150.00	2.50	15.32	167.82	22.20
Rich Square.....	86	115	175.00	1.00	20.00	196.00	19.00
Riddick's Grove.....	10	15	15.00	.....	2.50	17.50	1.50
Roanoke.....	53	69	100.00	1.00	.....	101.00	8.00
Robert's Chapel.....	180	244	400.00	3.00	44.63	447.63	36.73
Roquist.....	40	42	75.00	.....	7.53	82.53	7.61
Ross'.....	259	393	200.00	3.00	21.00	224.00	13.20
Sandy Run.....	124	171	300.00	2.00	55.38	357.38	20.00
Seaboard.....	48	65	150.00	1.00	20.00	171.00	16.50
Severn.....	37	35	80.00	1.00	44.87	125.87	5.20
St. John's.....	64	67	100.00	1.00	15.03	116.03	10.00
Union.....	76	80	200.00	1.50	43.75	245.25	27.50
Winton.....	100	103	250.00	1.50	83.50	335.00	15.00
Oak Grove.....	22	29	50.00	.75	154.00	204.75	2.10
Totals.....			7247.73	60.30	1590.32	8898.35	691.19

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FINANCIAL TABLE.—Continued.

Foreign Missions.	Education.	Home Missions.	Colportage.	Baptist Orphanage.	Ministers' Relief Fund.	Sunday-School Expenses.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Contributed by Sunday-Schools.	Total Contributions by Churches and Sunday-Schools.	Grand Total.	Per Capita Contribution for Benevolence.	Colored Members.
\$33.00	\$....	\$10.00	\$....	\$....	\$....	\$15.00	\$ 3.66	\$....	\$60.00	\$161.66	\$367.96	\$.32	...
50.00	20.00	20.00	15.00	60.00	7.59	30.00	63.20	20.00	.....	320.79	734.04	1.20	...
5.00	2.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	1.25	.....	.....	.....	16.25	278.25	.09	...
40.00	15.00	10.00	5.00	30.51	5.00	17.95	5.00	5.00	.....	163.46	490.96	.67	...
10.00	1.33	5.00	.....	.....	.....	11.90	14.00	.....	.....	52.23	203.38	.40	...
35.00	25.00	10.00	.....	35.00	.....	12.00	.....	.....	25.00	169.50	520.40	.74	...
25.00	62.00	5.00	5.00	3.78	.....	21.24	.....	.....	.....	133.02	285.57	.42	1
23.24	11.31	24.35	1.10	54.69	3.10	26.68	7.00	.....	40.82	205.69	615.96	.81	1
.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	8.00	10.00	.....	.....	19.00	114.15	.21	...
20.00	20.00	10.00	.....	35.28	.....	21.00	.....	.....	15.50	146.78	421.29	1.69	...
4.00	1.00	2.00	3.00	8.00	3.00	8.00	10.00	.....	.....	44.00	115.53	.38	...
20.00	5.00	1.60	1.25	14.43	.....	.....	8.75	.....	.....	79.52	317.24	.30	...
20.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	4.00	9.81	5.00	23.13	.....	.....	106.94	319.44	.25	...
4.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	14.00	105.00	.16	...
6.75	2.00	.....	2.50	20.25	.....	.....	3.15	2.35	.....	46.67	172.67	.22	...
8.00	.....	5.00	2.04	2.00	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	34.24	164.72	.15	...
5.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	3.00	2.50	.....	.....	15.50	90.50	.08	...
12.00	8.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	55.00	226.00	.46	...
15.00	5.00	5.00	7.00	10.00	3.50	7.00	21.55	.....	1.00	87.05	338.05	.31	...
2.00	.....	2.00	2.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	60.50	.24	...
10.00	10.00	.....	4.50	2.80	.....	3.50	2.50	.....	2.40	42.70	158.70	.35	...
8.00	2.72	3.25	.....	5.00	.....	29.50	.....	6.25	3.13	68.85	205.85	.84	...
7.71	2.00	2.70	2.00	3.41	.....	6.25	2.00	.....	1.00	39.62	156.37	.25	...
10.00	3.50	5.00	3.00	9.06	.....	20.00	4.00	.....	5.20	70.70	196.07	.37	...
.....	1.00	4.00	2.00	1.10	.....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	17.30	103.45	.34	...
57.50	5.60	17.43	5.00	37.10	.....	5.68	12.41	.....	18.59	180.71	339.71	.53	...
8.00	15.00	.....	2.00	3.00	.....	19.82	.....	.....	4.00	57.82	204.00	.17	...
15.00	5.00	10.00	2.74	3.00	.....	15.00	.....	.....	2.00	69.24	204.24	.38	...
17.43	5.00	18.85	.....	4.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	82.32	282.32	.30	...
10.00	5.00	10.00	.....	22.00	.....	30.00	.....	.....	33.65	120.65	516.42	1.21	...
8.00	.....	3.00	1.00	3.22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.22	115.72	.37	...
20.00	15.00	8.00	2.50	3.00	2.00	9.00	12.50	.....	.....	92.00	350.50	.40	...
25.00	10.00	5.00	8.00	.....	20.80	15.47	15.00	12.00	16.28	140.75	327.75	.42	...
20.00	10.00	10.00	2.00	.....	.....	9.01	8.42	6.55	2.85	91.03	258.85	.24	...
3.53	5.00	6.00	.....	.....	.....	14.00	8.00	.....	.....	55.53	251.53	.27	...
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.50	19.00	.06	...
8.00	2.00	2.00	.....	4.00	.....	3.80	.....	.....	.....	27.80	128.80	.22	...
50.00	10.00	15.00	13.45	.....	.....	19.05	11.96	.....	60.80	216.99	664.62	.51	...
1.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	11.30	93.83	.13	...
20.00	3.00	7.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	59.10	.....	.....	104.32	328.32	.16	...
30.00	10.00	10.00	13.00	.....	.....	21.37	9.69	.....	5.53	119.59	476.97	.40	...
10.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	.....	.....	12.00	.....	.....	25.00	75.50	246.50	.66	...
1.00	1.00	1.00	1.13	.....	.....	14.33	.....	.....	10.96	34.62	160.49	.48	...
10.00	2.00	3.00	1.00	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.85	.....	41.85	157.88	.32	...
15.00	10.00	17.50	10.00	10.50	.....	10.03	.....	.....	52.00	152.53	397.78	.97	...
15.00	10.00	10.00	1.50	3.73	.....	23.00	3.00	.....	6.20	87.43	422.43	.43	...
2.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	7.50	.....	.....	.....	13.60	218.35	.26	...
720.19	340.86	308.68	125.71	305.36	54.80	504.83	339.54	52.00	391.91	3021.73	12819.08	.....	2

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	No. of Schools.	Superintendents and Postoffices.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.
Ahoskie.....	1	W. H. Jernigan..... Ahoskie.....	12	125.....	24	200	
Aulander.....	1	C. E. Crowell..... Aulander.....	10	150.....	125	200	
Bethany.....	1	M. W. Perry..... Coleraine.....	9	75.....	50	25	
Bethlehem.....	1	R. P. Thomas..... Bethlehem.....	18	110.....	260	140	
Brantley's Grove.....	1	A. O. Kiff..... Ahoskie.....	12	104.....	45	110	
Buckhorn.....	1	G. C. Picot..... Como.....	9	65.....	80		
Capeheart's.....	2	R. H. Hardan..... Windsor.....	13	116.....	50	90	
Cashie.....	1	H. J. Ward..... Evansville.....	12	106.....	100	125	
Centre Grove.....	1	T. Gilliam..... Windsor.....	10	130.....	75	300	
Chowan.....	1	C. S. Godwin..... Ahoskie.....	10	75.....	75		
Christian Harbor.....	1	J. E. Vann..... Winton.....	11	42.....	38		
Coleraine.....	1	J. W. Hollomon..... Harrellsville.....	11	60.....	50	75	
Conaritsa.....	1	G. M. Matthews..... Coleraine.....	11	60.....	50	75	
Creeksville.....	1	Josiah Early..... Hexlena.....	10	70.....	75		
Elam.....	1	E. Lassiter..... Creeksville.....	7	30.....	30		
Galatia.....	1	C. L. Stephenson..... Gumberry.....	14	70.....	40	45	
Green's X Roads.....	1	W. W. Jones..... Pendleton.....	10	95.....	100		
Harrellsville.....	1	W. J. Mizell..... Windsor.....	10	85.....	40		
Hebron.....	1	B. B. Williams.....	10	62.....	50		
Hill Side.....	1	J. D. Gatling..... Potecasi.....	6	30.....			
Holly Grove.....	1	J. F. Whedbee..... Quitsna.....	10	55.....			
Jackson.....	1	F. E. Myers..... Askewville.....	7	60.....	82	72	
Lawrence's X Roads.....	2	P. J. Long..... Jackson.....	14	85.....	40		
Lewiston.....	1	J. W. Langdale..... San Souci.....	7	55.....	40		
Margrettsville.....	1	J. M. Williams..... San Souci.....	8	24.....	38	30	
Mars Hill.....	2	J. H. Modlin..... Lewiston.....	9	72.....			
Meherrin.....	1	D. E. Bridgers..... Margarettsville.....	15	80.....	50	100	
Mount Carmel.....	1	W. D. Perry..... Rosemead.....	10	109.....	48	216	
Mount Tabor.....	1	D. W. Britton..... Rosemead.....	13	85.....	40	240	
Murfreesboro.....	1	W. T. Nelson..... Murfreesboro.....	9	65.....	120		
Oak Grove.....	1	J. L. Harris..... Seaboard.....	5	20.....	25		
Pine Forest.....	1	J. P. Boyette..... Mapleton.....	12	35.....	30		
Pleasant Grove.....	1	T. A. Britt..... Murfreesboro.....	12	108.....	93		
Potecasi.....	1	S. L. Marsh..... Aulander.....	10	94.....	50	110	
Republican.....	1	E. H. Johnson..... Garysburg.....	8	96.....			
Rich Square.....	1	M. L. Taylor..... Aulander.....	6	67.....	260		
Riddick's Grove.....	1	N. W. Britton..... Woodland.....	15	156.....	135	150	
Roanoke.....	1	W. S. Pritchard..... Aulander.....	9	54.....	72		
Robert's Chapel.....	1	W. E. Clifton..... Rich Square.....	1				
Roquist.....	1	J. V. Holloman..... Lasker.....	15	156.....	135	150	
Ross'.....	1	W. J. Beale..... Pendleton.....	9	54.....	72		
Sandy Run.....	1	J. E. Tadlock..... Windsor.....	13	119.....	351	130	
Seaboard.....	1	A. T. Liverman..... Roxobel.....	8	59.....	140	135	
Severn.....	1	J. R. Crocker..... Seaboard.....	14	95.....	108		
St. John's.....	1	J. J. White..... Severn.....	7	70.....	44		
Union.....	1	Richard Edwards..... St. John's.....	13	62.....	20	125	
Winton.....	2	A. C. Vann..... Union.....	14	85.....	50	90	
		J. W. Hall..... Tunis.....					
		B. F. Barham..... Winton.....					
Totals.....	49		442	3325	1784	3805	



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—of the—

WEST CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

—held with—

THE BAPTIST CHURCH AT AHOSKIE

HERTFORD COUNTY, N. C.,

OCTOBER 24, 25 AND 26.

1899

- Time and place of next Session -

The next Session will be held with
the Church at Potecasi, in North-
ampton county, beginning on Tues-
day after the fourth Sunday in
October, 1900.

WINDSOR, N. C.
Windsor Ledger Print,
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ORDAINED MINISTERS

In The

West Chowan Association

E. J. Harrell.....	Aulander, N. C.
J. A. Speight.....	Ahoskie, “
S. F. Bristoe.....	Colerain, “
Dancy Cale.....	Potecasi, “
R. D. Cross.....	Ahoskie, “
L. M. Curtis.....	Aulander, “
J. C. Fleetwood.....	Margarettesville, “
M. L. Green.....	Ahoskie, “
B. Leggett.....	Windsor, “
J. R. Matthews.....	Hexlena, “
J. B. Newton.....	Aulander, “
S. B. Barnes.....	Lewiston, “
G. P. Harrell.....	Murfreesboro, “
C. W. Scarborough.....	Murfreesboro, “
T. T. Speight.....	Lewiston, “
T. B. Chitty.....	Winton, “
B. B. Williams.....	Harrellsville, “
E. S. Pearce	Merry Hill, “

✻ Pastors, but not Residents in this Association ✻

W. P. Jordon.....	Hertford, “
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OFFICERS.

J. C. Scarborough.....	Moderator
C. R. Harrell.....	Vice Moderator.
W. R. Raynor.....	Clerk
N. W. Britton.....	Treasurer
C. W. Mitchell.....	Historian.

 The above officers constitute the Executive Committee.

✿ ORDER OF BUSINESS ✿

First Day

- 11.00 A. M. Introductory Sermon.
 12.00 M. Enrol delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
 12:30 P. M Recess.
 2.00 P. M. Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize. Read
 Constitution. Call names of churches that failed
 to represent themselves at last session. Receive
 new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint committees.
 3.00 P. M. Report on Temperance.
 3:30 P. M. Report on Periodicals.
 4.00. P. M. Assignment of Homes, Adjournment.

Second Day

- 9:30 A. M. Devotional Exercises.
 10.00 A. M. Routine Business.
 10:15. A. M. Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute
 11.00 A. M, Report on Education.
 11.45 A. M. Report on State Missions.
 12:30 P. M. Recess.
 2.00 P. M. Convene. Routine Business.
 2.10 P. M. Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
 2:30 P. M. Report on Baptist Orphanage.
 3:15 P. M. Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment

Third Day

- 9:30 A. M. Devotional Exercises
 10.00 A. M. Convene. Routine Business.
 10:15 A. M. Report on Home Missions
 11.00 A. M. Report on Church Statistics
 11:15 A. M. Report of Committees. Miscellaneous business. Ad-
 journment

CONSTITUTION

Name.

Article 1 This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

Membership

ART. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: Provided, no church shall have more than four delegates.

Object

ART. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

Powers and Prerogatives

ART. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical, legislative, nor counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard

ART. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice; or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons; or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements; or upon application of a church for dismissal.

Rights of the Churches.

ART. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

Duties of the Churches

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

ART. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving (1) Locality. (2) The names of its pastor and clerk and their respective postoffices. (3) The Sabbaths of regular service. (4) The church statistics, including the number baptised, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female. (5) Sabbath School statistics. (6) Amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund. (7) Names of delegates and alternates. (8) Any other information deemed of special importance.

Organization

ART. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

Duties of Officers.

ART. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed, to enforce the rules; to preserve order; and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

ART. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

ART. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceeding of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

ART. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

ART. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the Minutes an historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

ART. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. Adopted 1898.

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891)

RULES OF ORDER

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

PROCEEDINGS

First Day

Tuesday, Oct., 24, 1899.

The West Chowan Baptist Association, in its seventeenth annual session, met this day with the church at Ahoskie, Hertford county.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by J. A. Speight. Text: Joel, 3: 14, 15, 16.

After the sermon, J. C. Scarborough, Moderator of last session, called the Association to order.

The Moderator appointed the Committee on Credentials, consisting of brethren A. T. Liverman, A. I. Parker, Thomas Gillam, J. E. Matthews and N. W. Britton.

The visiting brethren were invited to seats, and J. C. Caddell of the *Biblical Recorder*, Thos. G. Ward, of Chowan Association, John Mitchell, Secretary Board Education; N. L. Shaw, Tar River Association, accepted the invitation.

New Pastors: R. H. Gilbert, Windsor; J. B. Chitty, Winton; E. J. Harrell, Aulander.

The Association adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m: benediction by John Mitchell.

Afternoon Session

The Association reassembled at 2 o'clock. While waiting for the committee on credentials to report, the constitution and rules of order were read by J. A. Speight.

The committee on credentials reported all the churches in accord with the constitution and recommended that Siloam Church be reinstated to fellowship. On motion the report was adopted and the church reinstated.

The Moderator announced the next business to be the election of officers for the present session, which resulted as follows:

J. C. Scarborough, Moderator	C. R. Harrell, Vice-Moderator
W. R. Rayner, Clerk	N. W. Britton, Treasurer
C. W. Mitchell, Historian	

The church at Kelford petitioned for admission into this Association. The Moderator appointed a committee consisting of brethren T. T. Speight, J. B. Newton and J. C. Tynes to investigate and report

as to the orthodoxy and loyalty of this church to Baptist principles. On recommendation of this committee this church was received into this Association and its delegates received the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

The roll of churches was then called and the delegates enroled as follows:

Ahoskie—J. H. Mitchell, J. C. Jenkins, W. H. Wynns.
 Aulander—C. W. Mitchell, W. J. Dunning, C. E. Connell.
 Bethany—Geo. W. Outlaw, J. G. Perry.
 Bethlehem—R. P. Thomas, Rob t. J. Hoggard, W. P. Shaw, Sr.
 Brantley's Grove—W. H. Bryant, H. H. Overton.
 Buckhorn—R. A. Majette, R. J. Tayloe.
 Capehart's—H. J. Ward, J. H. White, M. H. Bowen.
 Cashie—D. E. Modlin, E. L. Gatling, Thos. Gillam.
 Chowan—W. P. Tayloe, T. D. Boone. †.
 Christian Harbor—J. H. Evans, A. B. Bunch.
 Colerain—Etherton Wilson, J. D. Evan, †. G. M. Matthew.
 Conaritsa—Josiah Early, C. C. Jenkins, J. S. Jenkins, J. T. Nowell.
 Creekville—Geo. Bridgers, W. J. Bridgers, E. C. Allen.
 Center Grove—J. E. Matthews, Lafayette Holloman, C. S. Godwin.
 Elam—B. L. Sykes, E. W. Woodrog, W. L. Stephenson.
 Galatia—J. W. Rose, B. A. Barnes, D. W. Tayloe.
 Green's X Roads—G. W. Castellow, Wm. H. Mizell, J. S. Mizell.
 Harrellsville—J. M. Powell, J. T. Williams.
 Hebron—C. F. Griffin, J. C. Vaughn, C. R. Revell.
 Hill Side—C. E. Hobbs, E. D. Spruill.
 Holly Grove—J. W. Mitchell, R. A. Myers.
 Jackson—B. F. Davis, John P. Holloman.
 Lawrence X Roads—J. W. Langdale, E. J. Langdale, W. M. Keeter†
 Kelford—W. C. Evans, C. L. L. Cobb, Geo. T. Parker.
 Lewiston—A. F. Hancock, J. S. Hughes, J. L. Harrington.
 Margrrettsville—I. P. Parker, Charlie Erikson.
 Mars Hill—W. R. Rayner, Kader Bass, A. Nowell, J. M. Perry.
 Meherrin—P. C. Parker, Leon. Parker, B. F. Liverman. W. T. Parker.
 Mt. Carmel—J. T. Harris, J. L. Harris, J. G. Joyner.
 Mt. Tabor—Norfleet Vinson, J. D. Sewall, A. J. Parker.
 Murfreesboro—J. C. Scarborough, W. G. Freeman.
 Oak Grove—W. M. Marsh, A. E. Saunders.
 Pine Forest—E. H. Johnson, †. J. R. Carstarphen.
 Pleasant Grove—N. J. Britton, J. U. Vaughn.
 Potecasi—C. R. Harrell, N. W. Britton, J. A. Parker.
 Republican—G. W. White, J. H. Burden, Levi Hoggard, A. Burden.
 Rich Square—J. N. Futrell, J. T. Bolton, Geo. Bishop.

Riddick's Grove—not represented

Roanoke—R. C. Lassiter, L. J. Holloman

Robert's Chapel—Alex Horne, Mc M. Long, D N. Stephenson, K.
R. Madrey.

Roquist—J. E. Tadlock, B. F. Lowe

Ross'—W. D. White, T. Q. Castellow, J. T. Hoggard, A. J. White.

Sandy Run—A. T. Liverman, T. S. Lassiter, J. C. Tynes

Seaboard—J. R. Crocker, C. L. N. Stephenson

Severn—J. H. Tyler, C. T. Woodard

Siloam—not represented

St. Johns—A. T. Vaughn, N. T. Britton

Union—J. A. Copeland, Julius Brown, N. H. Lawrence

Winton—B. F. Baron, John A. Downs, J. S. Mitchell.

NOTE: Absent members marked thus: †.

The report on temperance was called for. W. H. Miller offered one but it being a copy of last year's report the Association refused to accept it.

The hour having arrived J. A. Speight offered the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Your committee cannot urge too strongly the liberal use of the Religious Press by our people. All knowledge is power, but knowledge of what God is doing in the world through his people is a wonderful stimulus to our better and our benevolent impulses. The average well informed Christian is a mighty factor for good in the betterment of mankind while the rule almost universally is that an ignorant person can rarely ever be enlisted in any praise-worthy work. The Baptists are greatly indebted to the Religious Press for the manner in which they have been helped in their benovlent work and also for the aid given in making known and then in broad-casting their distinct principles. For over fifty years the Baptist of this state have worked with the Biblical Recorder which has been a mighty factor in the furtherance of the Lord's kingdom both at home and abroad. The Recorder has never been the property of the denomination but it has been such a faithful ally and such a useful servant that the denomination has cheerfully given it its unqualified support year in and year out and which we pledge to the paper as the organ of the denomination in the future as in the past, our undivided patronage. As New

Testament churches however, we reserve the right to watch with a jealous eye the character of its contents and the doctrinal trend of its editorial views. As the paper is a private enterprise the denomination has no right to dominate its policy, but for its undivided support we can modestly request that the paper will be clear and sound in its doctrinal utterances. That it will in the future, as in the past, never use its columns to thrust upon the churches isms which will divide our people and thus cripple the good work of unity and progress in the Lord's cause which it should represent in the state at large. We can modestly remark that it should not spend too much force on matters distinctly local, or over-look localities which ask to be heard in its columns. We invite the paper to send its agents to all our churches and urge our people to take it and read it. In this connection we cheerfully commend the *Charity and Children*, the Baptists Historical papers, the Sunday School publications of Nashville, and Foreign Mission Journal.

J. A. SPEIGHT, }
G. M. MATTHEWS. } Committee.

The report was discussed by J. A. Speight, C. W. Scarborough, R. H. Gilbert and R. D. Cross, after which the report was adopted.

The Moderator announced the committee on Religious Exercises: Pastors and Deacons of the Ahsoskie church.

Brother R. D. Cross announced that there would be a mass-meeting on Temperance in this house at 7:30 to night.

The Moderator appointed C. R. Harrell, J. H. Evans, and George Liverman committee on finance.

The regular order of business was dispensed with and Delegates were assigned homes. The Association then adjourned; benediction by M. L. Green.

In the mass-meeting brethren L. M. Curtis, B. B. Williams, E. S. Pearce and J. C. Caddell addressed the body.

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday, October 25, 1899.

Morning Session.

The Association convened at 10 o'clock a. m. The Clerk read the minutes of yesterday. The Moderator extended an invitation to visiting brethren to seats in the body. It was accepted by J. B. Harrell, of the Eastern Association; C. A. Woodson, Chowan Association; J. B. Boone, Manager Baptist Orphanage; J. E. White, Corresponding

Secretary; Prof. Bagley, Tar River Association; Prof. Beazley of Virginia; L. R. Miller, Central Association; Merrill of Tar River Association, and Farmer of Tar River Association.

The Moderator announced the Committee on Time, Place and Preachers for next session composed of brethren N. W. Britton, R. A. Majette and Frank Griffin.

The special hour having arrived W. P. Shaw, Sr. offered the following report on the

C. B. F. INSTITUTE

Since the making of the last annual report on the Chowan Female Institute to your body, it has closed, and handed into the annals of its history the records of its fiftieth annual session. A session which its worthy President in his report made to the board of trustees stated, was one remarkable beyond comparison for healthfulness, for the high character of the student body, and the efficiency of the work accomplished. And the Institute has now entered upon its fifty first year with renewed vigor and brighter prospects of advancement and progress than has characterized it for some years in the past. While the number of pupils in attendance is not so large as desirable or as it deserves to be, yet, the per centage of increase over last year is such as to furnish evidence of progress and inspire hope for the future of the school, and give cheer and encouragement to the President in charge and the board of trustees who desire to congratulate your body upon the general out-look of this honored Educational and Christian enterprise.

Under a kind Providence as a school the Institute, from the year 1848 until the present time, has been making its impress upon the intellectual life and Christian character of the eastern section of our State and Virginia as well, making it a great Baptist center of great influence and power. Each year through its entire history her cultured daughters have gone from her halls as a body of intellectual moral leaders whose influence has been all pervading in its tendency to elevate and improve our whole people as no other school enterprise of the present century or other period of historic time has done. Suggesting the enquiry what have we been doing for this gracious mother from whose generous bosom we have drawn so much moral and intellectual life-giving sustenance. Prompted by a love for our people, with an unfaltering faith in God, our fathers conceived the thought and executed the plan which gave to us at a cost of \$34,000 for previous buildings and outfit, and bequeathed to us a magnificent heritage for ourselves and our children through all coming time.

The management today declare that funds are required to effect needed improvements upon the buildings and grounds, enlarge its equipments so as to make its efficiency more complete, and the school

truly worthy of the support of every Baptist and all friends of education everywhere

The Institute now appeals to you for your sympathy, your prayers, your patronage and your many contributions in memory of her past usefulness and worth. Shall the appeal be in vain?

W. P. SHAW,	}	Committee
D. W. BRITTON,		
J. H. MITCHELL		

The report was discussed by W. P. Shaw and L. M. Curtis, after which a subscription was taken for the Institute, to be paid not later than next June. J. C. Scarborough addressed the body and the report was adopted.

G. P. Harrell read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We believe that today, as of old, God calls men to give up ordinary vocations of life and devote themselves specially to preaching His Word. We believe that a man so-called of God will preach the Word and will find hearers, no matter how crude his speech or how scant his store of knowledge. Yet there have been ever since the days of the Prophets schools for the training of such men, and we not only believe it to be the duty of these to seek this training for their work, but that they will strive, to the extent of their ability, to do so. When they are unable of themselves to meet the obligations necessary for this training, then we believe it to be the duty of the churches to remove the inability; this we do by our annual contributions to the Board of Education. The number received on the Board, up to the present, this year, is thirty-six, and it is the intention of the Board to increase this number to forty. We heartily and earnestly recommend that our brethren throughout the Association urge not only the young ministers but all other young men to seek a course of training at Wake Forest as the best preparation for life's work attainable in North Carolina.

G. P. HARRILL,	}	Committee.
N. W. BRITTON,		
D. N. STEPHENSON.		

The report was discussed by L. R. Mills, of Wake Forest College, and John Mitchell, Secretary Board Education, after which the roll of churches was called and the following pledged for next year:

Ahoscie	—	Aulander,	\$20.00
Bethany	2.00	Bethlehem,	15.00
Brantley's Grove	—	Buckhorn,	25.00
Capehart's	5.00	Cashie	10.00
Chowan,	—	Christian Harbor	—
Colerain,	5.00	Conaritsa,	10.00
Creeksville,	1.00	Center Grove	5.00
Elam,	5.00	Galatia	5.00
Green's X Roads,	—	Harrellsville	—
Hebron,	—	Hill Side	—
Holly Grove,	10.00	Jackson	2.50
Kelford	2.00	Lawrence's X Roads	2.00
Lewiston.	3.00	Margarettesville	1.50
Mars Hill,	5.00	Meherrin	(paid) 3.00
Mt. Carmel,	5.00	Mt. Tabor	2.50
Murfreesboro,	7.50	Oak Grove	2.00
Pine Forest,	5.00	Pleasant Grove	10.00
Potecasi,	10.00	Republican	5.00
Rich Square,	3.00	Riddick's Grove	—
Roanoke,	2.00	Robert's Chapel	15.00
Roquist,	—	Ross's	3.00
Sandy Run,	5.00	Seaboard	5.00
Severn,	6.00	Siloam	—
St. Johns,	—	Union	10.00
Winton,	10.00		

On motion the report was adopted.

The Association engaged in singing "How Firm a Foundation"; after which R. D. Cross read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

In a sense every person engaged in extending the Lord's kingdom, is engaged in missions, both in the State and in the world. Our Lord's last command was, "Go ye into all the world, and make disciples of all the nations." Missions all mean the same thing,—giving the gospel to the world,—for one part of the world is no nearer the Lord than another, but, for convenience, we make several divisions, though at the foundation of all lies the work of State Missions. When North Carolina is evangelized, our stakes are strengthened so that we can lengthen our cords to the nations.

Though the work of State Missions has been pushed vigorously for more than twenty years, and much of our prosperity has been accomplished through this work, as the banner of Christ has been erected in nearly all the county seats, other towns and cities of North Car-

olina; and the waste places in the country have been made to blossom as the rose, yet, the need is as great or greater than ever before.

The bounds of our State Convention have been enlarged by forging across the Blue Ridge and encircling the children of nature in the West, who need to be developed by a better trained ministry, and better educational facilities.

And then, North Carolina is fast becoming a manufacturing center—our rural country life is fast passing away—and new population is coming in, and many families are leaving the farms and flocking to the cotton mills, where they should have a pure Gospel, and have all made of them that can be, to make them useful to man and to God.

And then, there is much territory in the Eastern part of the State, and many other sections where faithful men are needed to tell the story of God's redeeming love. The State is to be besieged now as never before by Mormons and other false teachers; so all of the people should be taught the truth and besought to accept the Lord, and then rooted and grounded in the faith, that they might be proof against the seduction of error.

To accomplish this, one hundred faithful men are giving a part or all of their time, and we are laboring for the sum of twenty thousand dollars to pay these men. We ought to do more next year, but, to do it, we must all bestir ourselves, and increase our contributions.

R. D. CROSS, for Committee.

The Association was addressed by J. E. White, Cor. Set'y. A cash collection was taken amounting to \$51. The roll of churches was called and the following amounts were pledged for next year.

Ahoskie	\$45.00	Lewiston,	—
Aulander,	33.00	Margarettesville,	—
Bethany,	7.50	Mars Hill,	20.00
Bethlehem,	40.00	Meherrin, (paid)	13.00
Brantley's Grove,	10.00	Mt. Carmel,	17.00
Buckhorn,	40.00	Mt. Tabor,	22.50
Capehart's,	15.00	Murfreesboro,	15.00
Cashie,	25.00	Oak Grove,	5.00
Chowan,	40.00	Pine Forest,	—
Christian Harbor,	5.00	Pleasant Grove.	20.00
Colerain,	27.50	Potecasi,	22.50
Conaritsa,	25.00	Republican,	23.00
Creeksville,	5.50	Rice Square,	20.00
Center Grove,	12.00	Riddick's Grove,	2.00
Elam,	12.00	Roanoke,	10.00
Galatia.	15.00	Robert's Chapel,	45.00
Green's X Roads,	5.00	Roquist,	5.00

Harrellsville,	12.00	Ross',	15.00
Hebron,	20.00	Sandy Run,	25.00
Hill Side,	4.00	Seaboard,	15.00
Holly Grove,	10.00	Severn,	12.00
Jackson,	12.00	Siloam,	2.00
Kelford,	10.00	St. Johns,	12.00
Lawrence's X Roads,	16.00	Union.	25.00
	Winton	15.00	

The Association took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m. Benediction by L. M. Curtis.

Afternoon Session.

After singing the Association reconvened. Brother Merrill, of the Tar River Association, was allowed a few minutes to state his mission. The Committee on Ministers' Relief Board was called for to report; the committee not being ready, after singing "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood", C. W. Scarborough read the

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

The first orphan was registered at our Orphanage Nov. 11, 1885. Since then the Baptist of N. C., have grown steadily in their sympathy and cooperation in the work of the Board of Trustees of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. Though this Institution lies so near the hearts of our people, it is not the property of the Baptist State Convention of N. C., but is held by the Board of Trustees of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. This Board is composed of 18 members with self-perpetuating powers; and over this Board our Convention has neither authority nor control.

Every Baptist in N. C., has cause to be proud of and thankful for the work we have helped our bretheren to do, and needs to know that this work has claims upon him which he must not fail to meet.

As an Association we are thankful that from our bounds we have given to the Orphanage the present General Manager so worthy and so efficient, and his wife equally worthy and equally necessary to the success of our Orphanage work.

James said: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this—to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world. To care for the orphan, there is work for God, the manifestation in practical help, of the spirit of Christ which makes us feel that every man, woman and child who needs our help is a neighbor, it is Christ in the heart feeling for others, caring for others, making sacrifices for others. For 14 years

we have had an organization for this noble work. Today we have for our orphans a farm of about 300 acres, the farm is well watered and fairly well wooded. To work this farm we have the necessary stock and farming implements and last year our farm made \$500 clear of expenses. The orphanage has the difficulties and discouragements of all growing institutions, and it is, we are glad to say, in a healthy growing condition, and it needs more friends, more money, more buildings. The present buildings are over crowded, and many more children need the benefits of the orphanage but are kept out because there is not room for them. It is cause for gratitude that so many of our Sunday Schools are helping regularly and liberally in the work: why may we not expect that all will help?

Chairty and Children, our Orphanage paper, has its place and its mission, is a large factor in our work at Thomasville and its worthy of a place in every Baptist home.

There are now at our Orphanage 180 children who look to our churches and Sunday Schools for food, clothing, education both of head and heart. Shall they look in vain.

C. W. Scarborough offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire into the advisability of suggesting to the Trustees of the Orphanage, and to the Baptist State Convention, that a closer relationship be established between the Orphanage and the Baptist State Convention.

The report and resolution were discussed by J. B. Boone and C. W. Scarborough; after which a collection was taken amounting to \$9.12.

On motion the report and resolution were adopted. J. A. Speight made some remarks in regard to a church in Virginia. L. M. Curtis read the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Sixteenth Annual Report on Foreign Missions to the West Chowan Association.

In the Old Testament God indicated His purpose of grace, mercy and salvation to all nations. In the New Testament this purpose is vocalized, and more clearly and fully formulated in the Great Commission—"Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every creature". This Great Commission came from the Captain of Salvation after He had risen from the dead. This command was still fur-

ther emphasized in the church at Antioch to which the Holy Ghost said—"Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them". So they being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed. Hence all missionary effort and enterprise through the ages is but the development of a divine purpose running through human history. The Christian church is committed to world wide missions by the very conditions of her birth and existence. The Christ is with her only as she goes

This is indeed the redeemed man's burden.

Christ just as really speaks to churches of today as He spoke to the first disciples and to the church at Antioch. To this day the local church is not only the pillar and ground of the truth, but she is also the responsible agent and the storm center of missionary zeal and enterprise. Christ looks to local church as the human instrumentality to carry a knowledge of Himself to all the world. We have started and gone a little way. Got as far as to the borders of China, Africa, Italy, Japan, Mexico and Brazil. But the cry is heard with the earnestness of Christ's own heart-throb; further, even to the uttermost parts of the earth.

The past year has been the most successful in the history of our Foreign Mission work. More converts and baptisms than ever before and the work never better organized on the foreign fields than at present. At the last Southern Baptist Convention it was resolved to enlarge our work this year in foreign fields twenty five per cent. To put this resolution into effect should be the high aim of Southern Baptists. To aid in this onward and upward movement should be the heroic purpose of this Association. God wants our best; the world needs our mightiest efforts. Ten new missionaries have been appointed to the foreign field within the past few months. Two of these are from North Carolina. These things call loudly for increase in zeal, sympathy, prayer and contributions. Surely the banner of the cross should keep pace with the stars and stripes.

While our Association has increased in contributions along several other lines of work, we have made no appreciable advance in our gifts to Foreign Missions. This is not as it should be. Did Christ mean the West Chohan Association when he said, "Go ye into all the world." We need 1st, Missionary Pastors; 2nd, Missionary Information; 3rd, Earnest Missionary Prayer; 4th, Heroic Sacrifices in Missionary Giving.

L. M. CURTIS,	}	Committee
J. B. NEWTON,		
G. W. LIVERMAN.		

The report was discussed by L. M. Curtis, and the churches were called to pledge for next year which resulted as follows:

Ahoskie	\$35.00	Lewiston,	10.00
Aulander,	40.00	Margarettesville,	5.00
Bethany,	6.50	Mars Hill,	40.00
Bethlehem,	30.00	Meherrin, (paid)	12.00
Brantley's Grove,	10.00	Mt. Carmel,	15.00
Buckhorn,	35.00	Mt. Tabor,	15.00
Capehart's,	25.00	Murfreesboro,	12.50
Cashie,	25.00	Oak Grove,	4.00
Chowan,	25.00	Pine Forest,	8.00
Christian Harbor,	4.00	Pleasant Grove.	20.00
Colerain,	25.00	Potecasi,	30.00
Conaritsa,	25.00	Republican,	20.00
Creeksville,	5.00	Rich Square,	12.50
Center Grove,	10.00	Riddick's Grove,	2.00
Elam,	20.00	Roanoke,	8.00
Galatia.	10.00	Robert's Chapel,	50.00
Green's X Roads,	5.00	Roquist,	5.00
Harrellsville,	10.00	Sandy Run,	20.00
Hebron,	15.00	Seaboard,	10.00
Hill Side,	2.00	Severn,	12.00
Holly Grove,	10.00	Siloam,	2.00
Jackson,	10.00	St. Johns,	10.00
Kelford,	10.00	Union.	15.00
Ross',	20.00	Winton,	15.00
Lawrence X Roads		6.00	

On motion the report was adopted.

The Association ordered the report of the Woman's Central Committee of North Carolina to the West Chowan Association, and Bro. T. C. Britton's letter (Missionary to China) be published in the Minutes.

R. D. Cross announced that there would be a mass-meeting in this house, to-night, on Foreign Missions. Then, on motion, the Association adjourned until tomorrow at 10 a. m. Benediction by D. Cale.

The mass-meeting was addressed by J. E. White in a powerful and eloquent appeal for Foreign Missions. The meeting was a grand success, and doubtless the work was laid nearer the hearts of the brethren.

Third Day

Thursday, October 26, 1899.

After singing "O for a Faith", and prayer by B. B. Williams, the

Association reassembled. The Clerk read the minutes of yesterday. The hour having arrived C. W. Mitchell read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Lord has signally blessed the work of the Home Board during the past year. Beginning under seemingly adverse conditions, but with an unwavering faith in the God of Missions, they have gone forward and wrought grander and more glorious results than ever before in the history of our Convention.

The field occupied covers our entire Southland, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Cuba.

Number of Missionaries employed the past year, 653 against 467 last year; baptisms 6,552 against 4,739, total additions to the churches 12,983 against 9,509 last year; Sunday schools organized 512 with 14,768 teachers and pupils, against 297 with 7,710 teachers and pupils last year. From this you will observe nearly 50 per cent increase in membership to our churches and addition to our Sunday Schools.

Financial:—The amount raised and expended on the field for Home Missions this year is 65,818.81 against 54,251.14; collected for building houses of worship, 50,050.33 making a total of 115,869.14 against 110,636.50, an increase of \$5,232.64. Thus we see that with only an increase of about 5000 in contributions we see more than 50 per cent increase in results. Shall we stop to answer why this great advance in our work with such a small increase over last year's contribution? When we take in consideration the low price of all products of the farm last year, the outbreak of war with Spain, almost precipitating a financial panic, the spread of fever over a large area of our Southland, the destruction to property and products of the farm by floods and freezes, we can see that the sacrifices made by the Baptists of the South, to measure up to their former gifts, far surpassed former years. This teaches us, brethren, that it is not so much the amount of money contributed to God's cause that brings the richest rewards, but the devotion shown and the sacrifices made heaven most delights to honor and bless. These unfavorable conditions have passed away and a brighter future is before us. Victories on land and sea attended our armies till no longer Spanish tyranny oppresses the weak and struggling people of Cuba and Porto Rico. An increase in the price of the products of the farm, the hum of thousands of newly added spindles to the factories of the South, all point to a revival of business activity, an indication of the dawn of a brighter and more hopeful day for our people. The question of the hour is, shall we measure up to the responsibilities now upon us. An enlargement of God's favors to his people, always carries enlarged responsibilities. God does not expect His people to go beyond their ability,

but he does expect them to measure up to their ability in His service. "Attempt great things for God, and expect great things from God".

Ten years ago the West Chowan Association contributed \$148 to the Home Mission Board, last year \$305, doubling our contribution in ten years. Shall we not make an effort to double in the next ten years? If so, shall we not begin at this session by an increase of 10 per cent over last year?

The needs of the Board surely are greater than ever before. Space here will not permit pointing them out. The members of the Board are simply sentinals stationed on post of duty. As the fisherman, standing on the bow of the boat looks for shoals of fish, where he may cast his net, so are the representatives of the Board, stationed by the Baptist of the South, on the bow of the ship of Zion, looking for the strategic points, where nets may be cast, that will bring rich harvest to the Master's kingdom. God has said that it is righteousness that exalteth a nation. The hope of the South, yea, the hope of America lies in Christian education. Under the providence of God this has been largely done in the past by the work of the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and today the work is more imperative than ever.

C. W. MITCHELL—for Committee.

The report was discussed by C. W. Mitchell. T. T. Speight, C. W. Scarborough, J. A. Speight and E. S. Pearce.

On motion the following was passed:—That we recommend to our churches that they increase their pledges ten per cent on last year's amount to Home Missions.

The roll of churches was called and the they pledged the following:

Ahoskie,	\$11.00	Mars Hill,	15.00
Aulander,	25.00	Margarettesville	6.00
Bethlehem,	15.00	Meherrin (paid)	12.00
Brantley's Grove,	6.00	Mt. Carmel,	7.50
Buckhorn,	12.50	Mt. Tabor	7.00
Capehart's	8.00	Murfreesboro,	12.50
Cashie,	25.00	Oak Grove	5.00
Chowan,	12.50	Pine Forest,	4.00
Christian Harbor	2.50	Pleasant Grove	15.00
Colerain,	6.00	Potecasi,	10.00
Conaritsa,	11.00	Republican,	11.00
Creeksville,	2.00	Rich Square,	5.50
Center Grove	8.00	Riddick's Grove	2.00
Elam,	5.50	Roanoke,	2.50
Galatia	6.00	Robert's Chapel	22.00
Green's X Roads,	3.00	Roquist,	5.50

Harrellsville	12.00	Ross's	11.00
Hebron,	6.00	Sandy Run,	10.00
Hill Side,	2.25	Seaboard	11.00
Jackson	5.50	Severn,	10.00
Kelford,	5.00	Siloam,	2.00
Lawrence's X Roads	3.00	St. Johns,	5.50
Lewiston,	6.00	Union,	15.00
Bethany	3.50	Holly Grove,	4.50
	Winton	10.00.	

The report was then adopted. And J. S. Mitchell read the

REPORT ON CHURCH STATISTICS

During the last Associational year 283 members have been received by baptism, 240 by letter, 41 by restoration. The churches have lost by letter 282, expulsion 142, by deaths 109.

One new church, (Kelford), has been received, making a total of 48 churches, with 3,922 male members, 5,397 female members, one colored member, aggregating a membership of 9,320, a loss of 95.

One church (Jackson) is without a pastor. Two churches (Pine Forest and Riddicks Grove) are not represented. Seven churches have preaching twice a month and one church has preaching one Sunday and every Sunday night except the 4th and 5th.

One church (Ross') reports less than 10 cents per capita for benevolence,—three reported less than 10 cents last year; seventeen report between 10 and 25 cents per member—ten reported that amount last year; nine report between 25 cents and 50 cents—twenty-three reported the same last year; ten report between 50 and 75 cents—five reported that amount last year; six report between 75cts and \$1.00—three reported that amount last year, three churches (Chowan Murfreesboro and Union) report over one dollar per member—three churches reported the same last year.

One Church (Creeksville) reports nothing for State Mission—two reported nothing for that object last year.

All the churches represented report a contribution to Home Missions—seven reported nothing to that object last year.

Fourteen churches report nothing to the Board of Education—ten reported nothing for Education last year.

Six churches report nothing for the Orphanage—eighteen reported nothing for that object last year.

All the churches report for benevolence \$3,202.93, an increase of \$181.20 over amount reported last year.

J. S. MITCHELL—for the Committee.

C. W. Scarborough offered the following—

That we recommend to the Woman's Missionary Society to report their work to the Association through the church letters as a part of the church work.

The report and resolution were adopted.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preachers for the next session offered the following report:

Place—Potecasi, Northampton county; Time—Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after the 4th Sunday in October 1900; Preachers (to preach the introductory sermon)—R. D. Cross; alternate—G. P. Har-
rill.

N. W. BRITTON,	}	Committee.
C. F. GRIFFIN,		
R. A. MAJETTE,		

On motion the report was adopted

The Finance Committee offered the following report:

Report of the Finance Committee of all moneys received at the session of the Association held with the church at Ahoskie, Hertford county, October 24th, 25th, and 26th, 1899:

Foreign Missions.....	\$237.52
Home Missions.....	110.93
State Missions.....	183.50
Education.....	68.71
Orphanage.....	17.22
Ministers' Relief Fund.....	14.46
Minute Fund.....	75.11

\$707.45

C. R. HARRELL,	}	Finance Committee.
G. W. LIVERMAN		

The report was adopted.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to send fifteen copies of the Minutes to each Church hereafter that fails to send up any minute fund, and the remainder of the Minutes be disbursed pro rata to the several amounts sent up by the churches. The amount of \$3.21 was raised to purchase copies of the Minutes for Pine Forest and Riddick's Grove Churches.

A. W. Early offered the report on

MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD

The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, in May 1890, created this Board for the noble purpose of caring for our old preachers and their families, when these old soldiers of the Cross worn with toil and age, are no longer able to earn their support. We should not forget our old preachers in their declining years, after they have spent their strength in ministering to us in things spiritual; and the Scripture says: "Esteem them highly for their work's sake."

There are 14 beneficiaries on this Board at present, and during the present conventional year reported contributions for their support amount to about \$500, which should be increased to a thousand, at least, before the close of this year.

The financial report of the minutes of our last Association show, that the amount contributed to this object is small. Let us see to it that each church gives at least one collection for the relief of our aged ministers.

A. W. EARLEY—for Committee.

After discussion by John Mitchell, J. C. Scarborough and C. J. D. Parker, the report was adopted.

The Treasurer offered the following report:

From October 25th, 1898 to October 24th, 1899.

Received from the Committee on Finance, session 1898:

For State Missions.....	\$126.61
For Foreign Mission.....	186.89
For Home Missions.....	55.29
For Education.....	87.09
For Ministers' Relief Fund.....	1.07
For Baptist Orphanage.....	37.22
For Minute Fund.....	67.30
Total amount received.....	\$561.47

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Paid Clerk.....	\$ 20.00
Paid J. E. White, Cor. Sec'y. for Foreign Missions.....	186.89
“ “ “ “ Home “	55.29
“ “ “ “ State “	126.61
“ “ “ “ Orphanage	37.22
“ “ “ “ Ministers' Relief Fund.....	1.07
“ John Mitchell for Board of Education.....	87.09
“ for Printing the Minutes.....	47.30
Total amount paid out.....	\$561.47

JAMES S. MITCHELL,

Treasurer West Chowan Association.

The report was adopted.

C. W. Mitchell was elected delega'e to the Southern Baptist Convention.

C. R. Harrell, W. P. Shaw Sr., and James S. Mitchell were elected delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

R. P. Thomas was elected delegate to State Mission Board.

The Moderator announced the following standing committees:

State Missions: R. H. Gilbert, R. A. Majette, W. H. Miller.

Education: W. P. Jordan, C. R. Harrell, K. R. Maddrey.

Ministers' Relief Board: S. F. Bristoe, J. G. Joyner, Albert Vann.

Baptist Orphanage: R. D. Cross, W. P. Tayloe, T. Gillam.

Committee on Temperance: S. B. Barnes, J. P. Freeman, J. C. Tynes.

Periodicals: G. P. Harrell, W. G. Freeman, A. I. Parker.

C. B. F. Institute: R. P. Thomas, G. W. Liverman, J. T. Williams.

Foreign Missions: E. J. Harrell, Charles Newsome, J. Harris.

Home Missions: D. Cale, J. E. Matthews, T. Q. Castellow.

Church Statistics: E. B. Lassiter, C. F. Griffin, I. P. Parker.

Executive Committee: John C. Scarborough, C. R. Harrell, W. R. Rayner, N. W. Britton, C. W. Mitchell.

Committee on the Relationship of the Orphanage to the State Baptist State Convention, under the resolution passed at the present session of the Association by the recommendation in the report of the Committee on the Orphanage:

—C. W. Mitchell, R. H. Gilbert, C. W. Scarborough, T. T. Speight.
A. W. Earley.

The following was offered:

Resolved that the thanks of this body are due and are hereby extended to the Church and friends at Ahoskie for their unbounded hospitality during this session of the Association.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

On motion J. A. Speight was requested to write an obituary on J. N. Hoggard, deceased.

After a very earnest and touching address by our old and afflicted but highly esteemed brother, B. B. Williams, and singing "How firm a Foundation ye Saints of the Lord", the Association adjourned. Benediction by J. B. Harrell.

J. C. SCARBOROUGH, MODERATOR.

W. R. RAYNER, CLERK.

APPENDIX

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

From Meherrin to Ahoskie—from the mother church to her first offspring—thus the 16th and 17th sessions of the West Chowan Association pass into history. Last year the Association was held at Meherrin, the first organized body of Baptists in the territory covered by the Association; the session, this year, with the Ahoskie Church, the first branch from the mother church. At the time of the organization of Ahoskie, there were only five churches in the Association—Meherrin, Sandy Run, Cashie, Colerain and Conaritsa. These five churches were formerly members of the Kahukee Association. In 1803, under the preaching of Lemuel Burkett, one of the most noted revivals of the century was held at Meherrin. People from fifty to seventy-five miles attended the meeting, standing with uncovered heads while the rain fell in torrents, listening to the eloquence of this man of God, hundreds weeping and confessing Christ as their Savior.

In 1804, the year following, Ahoskie Church was organized, resulting, doubtless, from the labors of this man. But little can be learned of the early history of the church. Located on the north side of Ahoskie swamp, from which the name is derived (being of Indian origin) midway between the Roanoke and Chowan rivers; in the midst of the most fertile section of Eastern North Carolina; this church now has for nearly a century been the center of a religious and moral life, that has caused the community in which it is located to take rank among the foremost in the Association in religion and morals. Since the building of the Norfolk & Carolina Railroad a growing and prosperous town has sprung up within a few hundred yards of the church giving a still larger field for usefulness in the coming years.

The first pastor was Rev Hillary Morris, whose labors covered a period of 25 years. He was followed by Elder John Nowell, serving the church faithfully 25 years till death severed relationship in 1855. Since then the following servants of God have ministered to this flock: Elders B. B. Williams, John Mitchell, R. R. Savage, Howard H. T. Williams, Craig, Land and Cross; the Askews, Browns, Hollomans, Livermans, Mitchells, and Newsomes are names interwoven with the history of the Church, to whose labors the church is largely due her prestige and influence today. For fifty years the late W. W. Mitchell was a leading member of this body.

Three sessions of the Chowan Association have been held with the church—1833, 1867, and 1877. The first session in 1833, Bro Ether-ton Wilson was a delegate from Colerain church, sixty-six years ago, this brother now nearing his ninetieth year, was a delegate to the present session, from the same church. No incidents of special note can be recorded here during the past associational year. In contributions, the churches have held their own, some going beyond the year previous. We cannot determine the liberality of churches by comparison with the year previous. When we consider the depressed condition of our people caused by the low prices of farm products in the fall of 1898 the Association has cause for congratulations, that the churches held their own. The beginning of the year 1899 found the constituency of the churches with but little money. But with greater sacrifices, perhaps than ever before, turned their faces to the future. With a strong and unwavering faith in God, they have responded nobly to the demands made. There has not been as large an increase in membership as in some former years. Perhaps a deep spiritual awakening needs to be rekindled, thereby causing the spiritual life of the churches to become more aggressive. It is to be hoped that the year 1900 will usher in a deep and far-reaching spiritual revival in all churches.

All the churches are represented with full delegations. Introductory sermon by Dr. J. A. Speight was well conceived and happily delivered, a strong and forciful sermon, greatly enjoyed by the Association. One new church admitted to membership in the Association—Kelford. This Church is located in the town of Kelford at the junction of the Norfolk & Carolina and Roanoke and Tar River Railroads, a branch of the Sandy Run and Lewiston churches, Rev. T. T. Speight pastor. Among the visitors from other Associations the writer now recalls the following: Rev. John E. White, of Raleigh, representing the mission work of the State. The people heard him gladly. His eloquent appeals in behalf of missions were both inspiring and edifying. Dr. John Mitchell, of Wake Forest, who is giving the closing years of a well spent life to the work of aiding young men to become efficient ministers of the Gospel. To know him is to love him. Brother John E. Ray, Principal for the State's institution for the blind, our people were glad to welcome. Then there was Rev. J. B. Boone, who has charge of our Orphanage work—the right man in the right place. Of course Bro. Caddell of the Recorder had to be with us. We could not well get along without him. From the Portsmouth Association, Judge M. L. Eure, of Norfolk. From the Chowan Association, Rev. T. G. Wood and Bro. J. M. Forehand. These brethren were all gladly welcomed by our people, and added to the interest and helpfulness of the session. The objects coming before the Association were all ably discussed, the churches responding

to the calls made upon them, fully up to former years, and making gratifying increase in pledges to some of the objects. It is a source of gratification to the friends of the C. B. F. Institute to witness a growing interest in this time-honored school. New pastors coming into the Association during the past year are Revs. E. J. Harrell of Aulander, R. H. Gilbert of Windsor, and J. B. Chitty of Winton. Rev. B. B. Williams, now the oldest minister of the Association, occupying an invalid's chair was raised by loving hands and placed upon the speaker's stand. Feelingly he spoke to the Association telling of his strong and growing faith in God.

After three days labor for the Master's cause, planning work for the coming year, the Association adjourned to meet with Potecasi Church, in 1900

C. W. MITCHELL, Historian

T. C. BRITTON'S LETTER TO THE ASSOCIATION.

SOOCHOW, CHINA, Sept. 12th, 1899.

Dear Brethren of the West Chowan Association:-

You have seen much during the last twelve months in the papers about the condition of the Chinese government, how the young Emperor was adopting many Western improvements for the betterment of the condition of his people, and how the Empress Dowager cut it all short by virtually imprisoning him and by having his coadutors slain and by seizing reins of government herself? Of late she has evidently been preparing rapidly for the dethronement of the Emperor and for establishing a boy nine years old on the throne. But some of the high officials having tried to dissuade her from that, and the Emperor himself about to succeed in reaching the Emperor of Japan with a letter entreating him to save him from deposition and death, it is likely that she will be deterred in this undertaking. It was thought at one time that China would certainly be divided up by the foreign powers—Russia and Germany taking the Northern part, England the central and France the southern parts. It may be that China will be taken that way, little by little as the powers have occasion to do so. But we are praying, if it is the Lord's will, that the present Emperor may be again seated on his throne, and that the gospel may run and be glorified in this land, and that this people may yet lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and gravity.

But I am sure that you especially want to hear about the condition of the Master's cause in this part of the vineyard. I think the outlook was never so hopeful before. As Bro. Pierce told you in a late Recorder, Dr. John on one visit through the province of Hunan which has just lately been opened up to missionary workers, is reported to have baptized nearly two hundred persons. In connection with the work of one of our missionaries in North China there were eighty three baptisms last year. In the far interior of our South China field, lately at one time sixty two offered themselves for membership and thirty two were received, and at another place where no preacher had been, only a recently baptised member had been working, thirteen were awaiting baptism. In the six churches of our Kiangsu Baptist Association in Central China the work is going on more slowly, but all the churches have had additions during the year, I think. And our church at Quinsan, where Evangelist supported by the Home Mission Board of our Association is working, seems to be taking on new life, there having been four additions to it right recently and many more enquirers. And it is very gratifying to observe with what good order and enthusiasm our native brethren transact business and plan for the advancement of the Master's kingdom at the meetings of our Association. Having been appointed with a native brother in '98 to prepare a Constitution for that body, I had the honor of helping translate your Constitution into Chinese and getting it adopted by the Association assembled in Chinkiang last spring. As far as I know, it is the first Constitution of a Baptist Association that has ever been prepared in Chinese.

As to our own special work here, I want to mention our gratitude to God for continued good health to us and our two little boys. Stress has been laid this year as never before on Bible study with the church members, in addition to our Sunday School and church services and Wednesday prayer meeting. And I feel thankful for the evidences of their growth in grace and their earnestness in working for souls. One brother invited the church to his house to have a prayer meeting to pray for his afflicted wife, saying that we must leave it to the Lord's will as to whether she was restored or not, but the main thing was for his neighbors to have an opportunity to hear the gospel. The meeting was held, and he has brought one of his friends to offer for church membership.

Another instructed a young man who was baptized in the summer and endured, heroically, bitter persecution at the hands of his father, who was opposed to his joining, he being the only son that would be left to receive the inheritance and worship his ancestors. For two weeks in July the members came remarkably well, and one or more of them spoke with great earnestness to the people daily in the Chapel. We would meet in the morning and study the subject that we

selected to present in the afternoon. The weather being so remarkably cool, we were able to spend the summer at our work, and had four weeks of twice a day preaching. So that with little exception it has been a pretty solid year of preaching to the heathen, especially in the Chapel. A great many have seemed more or less interested, and there are some of whom we are hopeful. Our organ which some of you have contributed to help pay for, has been great help in securing and keeping together good congregations. And I take this opportunity to express our thanks to all who have kindly helped in this matter.

Mrs. Britton has a class of women and I a class of about fifty children in our afternoon Sunday School, while one of the brethren preaches to the large company of grown men who gather.

The growth of the church here seems slow and there are often discouraging appearance, but when we think of Him who sits at the right hand of all power and into whose hands all authority both in heaven and earth has been given, and remember that He loved the church and gave Himself up for it, there is no reason for discouragement but every reason to go forward.

It has been now nearly a decade since we came to Soochow, and we expected surely in a little while after arriving, to be reinforced by at least one family, but we are still left to work in this great field alone. Cannot our Southern churches send out their preachers to the foreign lands at least two and two like this Saviour did? How often when perplexed and almost broken down we do long for a collaborer! And the multitude that are like sheep without a shepherd are so great! Some may be inclined to ask, "Why will they not believe?" To such the word of the apostle ought to come like a voice from heaven, How can they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? After preaching about all we can, talking to the people at home, on the streets and in their shops, it is such a very small number that we can reach, so many have no opportunity of hearing! I cannot see why it is not the duty of the Christian lands to put tens of Missionaries in places where there is only one, so that China may be brought to Christ in this generation. It makes us glad and thankful to hear of the proposed enlargement in our Foreign Mission Work this year. Oh, Brethren, how can you think of anything else in the face of the great commission and the approaching 20th century. Possessing all authority, Jesus has been saying to His churches all these hundreds of years "Go"; but how slowly we have gone! I remember many years ago to have heard Dr. Mitchell call attention, in a sermon before our Union Meeting, to the emphasis that Jesus put on the commission by declaring just before that all authority was given to him, illustrating it by the thunder, lightning etc. at Sinai just before giving the ten

commandments. The Lord puts honor on us in speaking to us in this way, and not terrifying us like liberated slaves. So when ever a lover of Jesus hears the commission, it ought to come to him with more force than if it were spoken by an audible voice from a burning mountain. Let us recognize Him as our Master, and know that it is His to command and ours to obey. And let it be borne in mind too that the presence of Jesus, the life of the churches, depends on their *going*. As one has said, "It is either to send or to end, to inspire or expire." One does not act according to the commission without special force. Let us cling to it as a precious heritage left us by our Master and Saviour, so that at last He may *justly* say to us "Well done." Pray for us that we may open our mouths to speak the gospel, as we ought.

Our fraternal greetings to all the churches. The Lord be with you all.

Your Brother in Christ,
T. C. BRITTON.

REPORT OF WEST CHOWAN SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The West Chowan Sunday School Convention met in its tenth annual session with Buckhorn Baptist Church, Hertford County, July 28, 29 and 30, 1899. Introductory sermon was preached by Elder S. F. Bristoe, from Rom. 1:16, Subject: Jesus Christ and Him Crucified: Leading thought: "Christian Confidence in the Gospel." Roll call showed 41 scholars represented. Reorganization resulted in the election of T. D. Boone Vice-President; W. J. Beale Secretary; N. W. Britton Treasurer. The following Committees were named.—

"On Digest Sunday Letters,—P. F. Vann, U. Watson, Abner Earley.

"On Time, Place and Preachers for next session".—G. M. Matthews, D. E. Newsome, J. W. Fleetwood.

"On Practical Subjects for next session"—Alex Speight, J. C. Scarborough, G. P. Harrill.

Subjects discussed:

1. Sunday School as a Missionary Agency. (a) In Pioneer Mission Work; discussed by L. M. Curtis. (b) In developing young people; discussed by W. P. Shaw Sr. (c) In bringing the Unconverted under the influence of the Gospel; discussed by P. S. Vann. Re-

marks by E. S. Pearce, J. C. Scarborough, J. A. Speight.

2. The Sunday School as a factor in moulding and preserving public morals, discussed by Robert D. Stephenson, Earley, E. S. Pearce.

3. The comparative relation between doctrinal teachings and other instructions in our Sunday School Lessons; discussed by Bro. Chitty, J. C. Scarborough, T. T. Speight, C. W. Scarborough, S. F. Bristoe, L. M. Curtis.

4. The Sunday School—in its relation to Christian Education; discussed by J. C. Scarborough.

The following resolution was then offered by Bro. Chitty and adopted.

Seeing the importance and feeling the necessity of a Christian education for our young people, we request our pastors and Sunday School Workers to commend to the confidence and patronage of their respective congregations and Sunday School, the C. B. F. Institute.

5. 9415 and 3767. What does this mean, and what are we going to do about it? Discussed by R. D. Cross.

Sunday sermon was preached by J. A. Speight on the Second Coming of Christ and Resurrection of the Dead, from 24 chapter of Matthew.

Next session meets with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hertford County, Friday before the fifth Lord's day in July, 1900. To preach introductory sermon G. P. Harrill; Alternate, D. Cale; to preach Sunday sermon at 11 A. M. C. W. Scarborough, Alternate L. M. Curtis.

D. W. BRITTON—President.

W. J. BEALE—Secretary.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the West Chowan Association convened October 25, 1899, at 2:30 p. m., "at the stand" erected amid the trees of the forest for the devotional exercises of the Associational body. "Jesus lover of my soul" resounded through the lofty trees. Scriptural reading was conducted by the Vice-President, Mrs. J. P. Holloman who seemed deeply imbued with the solemnity of the service. The central thought of the Bible reading was "obedience" and was thus defined: "Can the heathen be saved without us? Romans; 10: 8-17; can we be saved without trying to save the heathen? The command, Mark 16: 15, 16. Obedience—the test of love and

discipleship, John 4: 24; John 8: 31. Cor. 5: 20; John 15: 16.

Prayer for divine aid and guidance was invoked by Mrs. R. D. Cross. "What a friend we have in Jesus" was inspiringly sung by the audience. The Vice-President announced the purpose of the meeting and explained the work assumed by the organization. She read a paper reporting the work of her incumbency and conveying her resignation of the position. A letter from Miss Heck was read by Miss Lizzie Mitchell. The call for reports from Societies was responded to by twenty-one societies. Letter from Buckhorn describing box for Frontier Missionary was read by Mrs. Renfrow Majette. Papers were read by Miss Anna Parker and Mrs. Cross. Words from our Foreign Missionaries were read by Mrs. Etheridge, Bowen, Majette and Miss Ella Early.

Poem—"Your Own"—was very effectively recited by Misses Blanche Vann and Essie Wynns.

Miss Blanche Vann was elected successor to Mrs. Holloman and her name will be recommended to the Central Committee of the Woman's Missionary Union, at the session in Asheville, N. C., as a suitable one for the position of Vice-President of this Association. Mrs. R. D. Cross, in a very timely and appropriate manner reminded the Societies that the present Vice-President had served in a most acceptable manner for six years in that capacity and she deemed it a duty and—it should be—a pleasure on the part of the Societies to express their appreciation of her services by contributing towards her expenses of a trip to Asheville during the Convention. Several representatives of different Societies indicated their acceptance of this "labor of love." Rev. John E. White addressed the assemblage on Missions and the fitness of woman for the work. He made an earnest appeal for more fervent and consecrated efforts. He urged the attendance of the members upon the approaching session of the Convention, and gave us a graphic description of the work of woman in the mountaneous regions. The distribution of literature was followed by the dismissal of the session.

Contributions, Missions, Etc.

	Foreign	State	Home	Orphanage	Various Objects
Aulander W. M. S.	5.00	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$2.75	
Aulander Sunbeams	\$4.30	2.50	1.00		
Buckhorn W. M. S.	5.00	4.00	4.20		24.95
Capehart's	2.00				
Cashie	4.80				12.29
Cashie Sunbeams					21.22
Elam W. M. S.	6.06	7.35	2.55		1.90
Hebron		6.75			5.00
Holly Grove Church	2 15	1 30	1 10		
" " School House	.8 06	.6 48	1 40		1 15
Kelford	.3 00	.3 00	2 50		
Meherrin Sunbeams	5 41	2 81	1 57		3 05
Mt. Tabor W. M. S.	9 10	19 29	2 85		4 88
Murfreesboro Sunbeams	5 06	5 13	2 00		9 41
Oak Grove W. M. S.	1 00	1 00	1 00		

	Foreign	State	Home	Orphanage	Various Objects
Pine Forest "	4 00	1 71	1 00	1 41	
Pleasant Grove "	1 50				
Potocasi "	3 25	5 82	3 49	3 43	16 15
Republican "		2 06			
Roanoke Sunbeams	1 36	4 62			3 42
Union					20 75
	71 75	75 92	31 16	7 59	24 17
Total contributions in money	310 59				
Boxes for Frontier Missionaries: Buckhorn, one box valued at	80 00				
Grand total	390 59				

MRS. JOHN P. HOLLOMAN, Vice-President

MRS. W. G. FREEMAN, Secretary

Report of the Woman's Central Committee of Missions of North Carolina to the West Chowan Association.

Raleigh, N. C., June 21st, 1899.

It is with great pleasure that the Central Committee reports to your Association another prosperous year in its Mission Work. While we regret to say there are yet many churches in which there are no woman's Missionary Societies, the number of these organizations is constantly increasing, and testimony to their helpfulness comes from every section of our State. The aim of these societies is not only regular contributions to Home, State and Foreign Missions but also the study of the scriptures, united prayer and mission study. It is with deep thoughtfulness, therefore, that we can truly say we believe the societies are not only growing in gifts but in the Grace of God and knowledge of His Word.

In the year 1897-98, ninety-six new societies were organized, \$6.-893 were reported. December 1898 closed the thirteenth report of the Central Committee. This Committee was appointed by the State Board of Missions in 1896, and from a beginning of fourteen societies has risen to three hundred and fifty. In the thirteen years' work \$44,664.00 have been reported.

We ask again, as last year, for the continued assistance of the ministers, believing that an active woman's Missionary Society will be found to be a blessing to every branch of church work.

Respectfully Submitted,

FANNIE E. S. HECK.

President Woman's Central Committee.

In 1897-98, thirty-four societies reported to the State Central Com-

mittee from the forty-seven churches of this Association the following amounts to Home, State and Foreign Missions:

Pine Forest.....	\$3.22
Rich Square.....	12.23
Roberts Chapel Cadets.....	15.78
Union.....	17.50
Mt. Tabor.....	38.93
Cashie.....	20.28
Sunbeams, Cashie.....	6.27
Elam ..	16.82
Galatia.....	18.80
Ross.....	19.00
Potecasi	14.40
Sandy Run.....	4.25
Roanoke ..	28.15
Buckhorn ..	88.47
Murfreesboro	2.80
Sunbeams, Murfreesboro.....	19.95
Republican	6.59
Meherrin.....	2.32
Sunbeams, Meherrin.....	9.93
Hebron	25.78
Holley Grove.....	7.58
Sunbeams, Rehobath.....	19.45
Sunbeams Colerain.....	4.87
Lawrence X Roads.....	9.91
Dudley Grove.....	1.50
Lewiston.....	8.39
Kelford Sunday School.....	3.00
Sunbeams, Roanoke.....	7.48
Sunbeams, Aulander.....	5.00
Bhiloh	5.00
Mt. Carmel	1.92
Little Gleaner's, Buckhorn.....	1.00
Holley Grove School House	6.00
Aulander.....	6.50
Total.....	\$458.97.

IN MEMORY OF REV. J. N. HOGGARD

The members of the West Chowan Association mourn the death of this good man and successful minister of Jesus Christ. It is true that he had filled up his four score years, yet they had been years of matchless heroism for truth, and of such praiseworthy and lofty labors for the betterment of mankind, that they passed away without impressing us with their oft-told tale of growing old. Every virtue finds expression in the life of a true man is not only worthy of recollection but of universal admiration; and of all the virtues to be emulated are those which mark the true man, true to his God, to his country, and to mankind; and hence we mourn because we have lost both a patriot who loved his country and a preacher who loved his God and his kind. The truth is when God calls a great character unto His service He stimulates the nobler virtues of that life by setting before it a career worthy of its devotion and a reward that swells the heart with ecstatic delight in the contemplation of a glorious future.

Brother Hoggard, virtually, had no early advantages to fit himself for the ministry, but he loved God and he loved humanity, and he desired to preach Jesus to a lost world. And now that his ministry is finished and he is gone, yet his long and useful labors loom up over the clods of a newly-made grave to tell with mighty conviction the truth that though the heart beats no longer, yet the life work throbs with the principles of a true and faithful service. After all if you rob human character of this you take from history much that makes it valuable, and from humanity much that makes it truly great. So that in applying this principle to a dead hero of mighty and living cause, we find that measured from any standpoint, this man was true to God, true to himself, yes, always true to the arduous but lofty mission of preaching the gospel and to the solemn responsibility of being faithful to God and to the highest interest of mankind. Life is so short it is difficult to estimate properly the excellencies of a really faithful man; for every life that seems to glow before the public eye is not truly great. Mark Anthony, at the grave of his royal master, said—"I come to bury Caesar, not to praise him". And all Rome felt its force, for regardless of what he had done in peace or in war, all knew that on the altar of his own lusty ambition for power he had sacrificed every hope and every virtue and the liberties which made Rome great, and now with the renown of his country fading like the setting sun, his life sinks under the cloud of a groveling ambition. All of us feel that Bro. Hoggard's life was impelled by exalted motives and universally mourned in death, for all of us feel that the Church and the world have lost a MAN.

As a preacher the burning words which fell from his lips seemed

both the expressions of his loving heart as well as the message which he had gathered from the Book of God. At times his preaching assumed all the impassioned force of lofty oratory, and as said of one of his peers—"all that was terrible or beautiful, all that was winning or appalling; all that could steal and charm and soothe the heart or speak to its careless security in commanding its attention to the truths of religion"—were pressed upon the churches he served, with an earnest energy and effective persuasiveness almost irresistible. So that, like the illustrious Massillon, he had that power to make men feel that there is nothing great but God. A great life is the gift of God, and when it is adorned by the graces of religion it is more illustrious than any thing which gave renown to Marathon or Thermopole, and therefore we need not rifle the archives of Athens nor decipher the moss grown cenetaphs of Rome to print the names or deeds of men more worthy of universal admiration than some of the humble ministers of Jesus Christ like John N. Hoggard whose life story was that—"he builds too low who builds beneath the sky".

The close of Bro. Hoggards life was calmly beautiful, for having in word and deed taught the living how to act, he faced the grim messenger and descended into the reigon of death as a summer sun beneath the Western horizon silently, calmly, brightly, gloriously with mighty faith in the One able and willing to save. Helpful, happy, heroic life had been his, and how beautifully tender and expressive was its close.

The hero of Marathon was left to die in a dungeon; Caius Marius in old age sought shelter under the ruins of Carthage; Woolsey in the presence of death said: "Had I only served my God as diligently as I have served my King he would have not given me over in my gray hairs. "How vastly different were closing moments of our departed friend and fellow helper in the worlds conversion, for having lived righteously the sun of his life sinks slowly and serenly behind the hills, behind the rippling clouds, behind the aszure vaults which his raised soul had so after dreamed, so often seemed in the silent depths of his own heart as in prophetic vision, he thus took his flight to be clothed and crowned in the presence of that great throng that no man can number—rest laborer rest for—

"Behold; the morning cometh;

The far off sky is bright,

And shafts of golden glory are

Streaming up the night;

Oh ye who watch in shadows,

To hope and faith hold fast.

The Lord hath not forgotten,

His morn will come at last".

J. A. SPEIGHT.

CHURCHES			CHURCH STATISTICS.										Sabbaths of Preach- ing.
Location and Date of Constitution			Additions.		Losses.			White Males	W. Females	Colored	Pastors and Postoffices		Clerks and Postoffices
			Baptism	Letter	Restored	Letter	Excluded	Deaths					
Ahoskie	Hertford	Co.	1812	1	1	9	4	3	112	177	289	R. D. Cross.	Ahoskie.
Aulander	Bertie	"	1886	7	2	23	1	110	162	272	274	C. W. Mitchell.	Aulander.
Bethany	Bertie	"	1881	3	3	4	1	79	95	174	174	G. T. Pearce.	Colerain.
Bethlehem	Hertford	"	1887	1	1	7	5	89	140	229	229	A. B. Adkins.	Bethlehem.
Brantley's Grove.	Hertford	"	1835	2	6	1	1	48	85	133	133	Dancy Cale.	Cofield.
Buckhorn.	Hertford	"	1837	1	4	15	4	3	104	112	216	C. P. Winborne.	Como.
Capehart's.	Bertie	"	1824	1	2	2	6	2	120	177	297	E. S. Pearce.	Evansville
Cashie	Bertie	"	1778	31	19	11	5	8	111	175	286	R. H. Gilbert.	Windsor
Center Grove.	Bertie	"	1895	27	42	2	6	4	73	73	148	M. C. Modlin.	Windsor
Chowan.	Hertford	"	1897	4	5	5	1	1	33	43	81	C. S. Godwin.	Ahoskie.
Christian Harbor.	Hertford	"	1881	2	1	3	1	7	41	63	104	Geo. A. Brown.	Winton.
Colerain	Hertford	"	1780	21	3	5	16	5	114	163	277	J. W. Hollomon	Harrellsville.
Conarita.	Bertie	"	1789	1	15	15	3	339	253	392	392	H. E. Wilson.	Colerain.
Creeksville	Northampton	"	1892	15	2	2	2	3	48	52	100	Tobias Early.	Hexena.
Elam.	Northampton	"	1844	7	1	8	3	62	148	210	210	W. H. Davis.	Creeksville.
Galatia	"	"	1859	27	2	4	2	109	145	254	254	R. J. Hancock.	Seaboard.
Green's X. Roads.	Bertie	"	1874	5	1	4	2	73	93	166	166	G. W. Castellow.	Windsor.
Harrellsville.	Hertford	"	1875	7	1	2	5	1	49	73	122	J. E. Speight.	Harrellsville.
Hebron	Northampton	"	1856	7	11	2	4	5	138	147	285	A. T. Vick.	Woodland.
Hill Side.	Bertie	"	1885	1	2	1	2	1	25	29	54	A. F. Whedbee.	Quitsna.
Holly Grove.	Bertie	"	1804	3	4	2	2	47	63	110	110	E. Pritchard.	Windsor.
Jackson.	Northampton	"	1882	11	6	1	28	47	75	122	122	Edwin Wright.	Jackson.
Kelford	Bertie	"	1898	9	9	1	25	37	62	99	99	Geo. T. Parker.	Kelford.
Lawrence's X. Road.	Bertie	"	1874	1	1	1	69	91	160	160	160	J. W. Langdale.	Sans Souci.
Lewiston	Bertie	"	1883	1	4	18	1	86	181	267	267	W. J. Barnes.	Lewiston.
Margarettsville.	Northampton	"	1889	1	2	5	1	25	50	75	75	A. S. Edwards.	Margarettsville
Mars Hill.	Bertie	"	1854	9	12	3	5	3	269	347	347	B. W. Lee.	Rosemeade.
Meheerin.	Hertford	"	1873	15	7	7	4	4	130	174	304	O. Parker.	Murfreesboro.
Mt. Carmel.	Northampton	"	1826	3	3	11	5	68	98	166	166	J. L. Harris.	Seaboard.
Mt. Taber.	Hertford	"	1839	13	1	4	2	3	124	144	268	D. L. Parker.	Mapleton.
Murfreesboro	Hertford	"	1842	5	6	3	3	1	46	55	101	W. G. Freeman.	Murfreesboro.
Oak Grove.	Hertford	"	1894	17	22	3	36	47	83	129	129	R. R. Penwell.	Aulander.
Pine Forest.	Northampton	"	1888	4	3	3	3	22	39	61	61	J. R. Carstarphen	Garysburg.
Potocasi.	Northampton	"	1808	12	4	2	5	2	140	197	337	H. C. Edwards.	Woodland.
Pleasant Grove	Hertford	"	1837	21	6	2	8	9	115	148	263	J. U. Vaughn.	Aulander.
Republican	Bertie	"	1803	2	8	3	3	82	111	193	193	Levi Hoggard.	Drew.
Riddick's Grove.	Martin	"	1853	1	2	2	2	1	68	119	187	J. T. Bolton.	Bryantown.
Roanoke	Northampton	"	1885	8	16	5	1	51	63	119	119	J. H. Williams.	Williamston.
Robert's Chapel.	Northampton	"	1848	4	3	7	4	163	240	403	403	R. C. Lassiter.	Lasker.
Roquist.	Bertie	"	1878	4	3	7	3	40	41	81	81	J. H. Stephenson.	Pendleton.
Ross.	Bertie	"	1804	5	5	2	2	252	392	644	644	W. D. White.	Windsor.
Sandy Run.	Bertie	"	1759	4	1	48	3	8	90	138	228	G. G. Pritchard.	Winckler.
Seaboard	Northampton	"	1880	4	5	2	4	45	63	108	108	S. B. Pritchard.	Roxobel.
Siloam	Bertie	"	1885	7	1	1	1	1	42	34	76	W. H. Howell.	Seaboard.
Severn.	Hertford	"	1806	3	7	11	4	1	57	61	118	W. H. Howell.	Severn.
St. Johns.	Hertford	"	1883	2	2	11	4	1	84	173	257	A. T. Vann.	St. Johns.
Union	Hertford	"	1885	10	9	2	2	89	178	267	267	A. C. Vann.	Union.
Winton	Hertford	"	1873	1	1	2	2	96	102	198	198	J. F. Newsome.	Winton.
Totals.			300	246	49	315	133	110	3938	5437	9375	3	9378

CHURCHES

Ashokle.....	112	177	\$175.	\$3.00	\$133.21	311.21	\$44.00	\$35.00	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$60.00	\$13.26	\$20.00	\$50.00	\$19.90	63.81	166.97	258.00	496.17	.57	
Aulander.....	102	102	250.	2.00	135.00	387.50	33.00	5.00	20.00			5.00	2.00		25.00	2.97	20.57	40.88	111		
Bethany.....	79	95	115.	1.50	2.00	118.50	6.50	5.00	3.00						1.81		26.90	104.88	1.11		
Bethlehem.....	89	140	300.	2.00	23.50	325.50	33.00	5.00	10.00			5.00	15.97	26.00	8.12	34.15	169.12	410.24	7.73		
Brantley's Grove.....	48	85	100.	1.50	64.05	105.55	10.00	5.00	10.00								25.00	198.67	1.81		
Buckhorn.....	104	112	335.	1.50	53.00	380.75	40.00	35.00	10.00		35.00				13.14	13.74	192.24	705.48	1.40	119.35	
Caphearts.....	120	177	137.50.	1.50	15.38	142.85	21.03	25.00	5.00		5.00	2.38	5.74	75.00	32.50	60.99	62.93	678.67	.81		
Castle.....	111	176	350.	2.50	60.00	412.85	21.03	22.12	16.02		28.42	1.05	9.00	2.11	8.20		233.67	978.57	1.21		
Center Grove.....	73	75	100.	1.50	137.35	232.85	25.00	20.00	10.00		30.00	2.03	1.50	7.50	32.58	21.50	139.09	409.48	1.71		
Chowan.....	33	48	200.	1.50	36.00	237.00	5.00	4.50	4.50		5.78	2.03	1.50	1.66	4.00		24.97	330.66	.36		
Christian Harbor.....	41	63	75.	2.00	13.45	89.20	25.00	5.00	5.00		5.00	2.15	3.92	16.38	19.37	10.00	89.30	281.94	1.23		
Colerain.....	141	163	175.	2.00	59.34	211.54	27.50	25.00	10.00		4.32	15.04	10.25	10.50			90.95	330.66	.36		
Comitasa.....	139	253	175.80.	2.50	18.28	192.85	25.00	25.00	10.00								89.30	281.94	1.23		
Creekville.....	48	52	75.	1.00		76.00	1.00	5.00	2.55								10.00	90.00	1.40		
Elam.....	62	148	154	1.54	101.54	101.54	10.00	20.00	2.00								10.00	90.00	1.40		
Galatia.....	109	145	125.	1.50	295.24	421.74	13.50	10.00	5.00		2.30	1.00	2.28	10.50	2.50		44.05	148.59	1.21		
Green's X Roads.....	73	93	75.	.75	25.00	75.75	4.00	6.00	3.00		5.06						25.14	100.89	.15		
Harrellsville.....	49	73	150.	1.00	176.00	176.00	10.00	12.00	13.00								117.00	306.50	.95		
Hebnon.....	138	147	135.50.	2.00	573.19	510.69	10.00	15.00	7.00		5.00	15.00	15.00	8.00	5.00		59.50	578.19	.95		
Hill Side.....	25	29	50.	.56		50.56	4.00	2.00	2.00		1.00	9.00	2.75	5.00	2.25		9.50	59.56	.16		
Holy Grove.....	47	63	100.	1.00	20.00	121.00	10.00	10.00	4.00		2.80	2.00	2.75	5.00	2.25		41.05	163.30	.57		
Jackson.....	28	47	100.	1.00	176.68	302.68	12.00	9.00	5.00		5.00			5.00	2.54	6.00	44.50	368.62	.59		
Kelford.....	24	36	100.	1.00	4.18	105.18	10.59	2.54	4.21		4.40			93	4.82	15.75	37.49	155.21	.62		
Lawrence X Roads.....	61	91	125.	1.50	12.00	138.50	15.50	7.00	4.46		5.00			10.00	2.89	7.00	48.42	189.81	.30		
Lewiston.....	86	85	125.	1.50	18.00	144.50	10.00	10.00	5.00		1.75	10.00	25.00	2.88	8.00	22.71	39.50	189.00	.23		
Margarettsville.....	25	25	75.	.75	20.00	173.00	22.92	4.00	5.00		1.75	4.42	12.40	5.00	2.88	8.00	39.50	189.00	.23		
Mars Hill.....	169	178	150.	3.00	6.15	158.65	13.00	12.00	20.00		5.10	4.42	12.40	5.00	2.88	8.00	106.68	371.68	.55		
Meherin.....	138	174	150.	2.50	10.00	166.50	39.29	24.99	11.04		2.56	1.54	10.00	16.20	14.45	13.76	71.50	244.60	.55		
Mt. Carmel.....	68	98	125.	.40	10.00	166.50	39.29	24.99	11.04		2.60	1.00	9.24	3.50	9.24	3.50	47.06	192.35	.28		
Mt. Taber.....	124	144	175.	1.50	95.36	317.21	15.80	11.00	10.00		13.66	3.66	32.60	47.48	35.46	135.02	500.61	58.38	1.54		
Murfreesboro.....	46	55	185	.50		68.68	149.18	5.00	3.00		2.25	20.00	15.66	14.58		21.61	104.84	1.17			
Oak Grove.....	36	47	86.	1.50	1.50	86.00	11.00	8.00	3.00		3.00	2.25	20.00	15.66	14.58		48.60	197.78	.58		
Pine Forest.....	22	39	86.	2.00	40.00	192.00	13.20	25.00	10.00		4.11	75	12.00	3.01	9.00	30.00	107.75	343.25	.47		
Pleasant Grove.....	146	197	150.	1.50	48.80	201.39	20.00	20.00	10.00		7.25	3.65	18.35				70.26	271.04	1.18		
Republican.....	129	258	150.	1.50	45.80	201.39	20.00	20.00	10.00								49.65	268.33	1.25		
Rich Square.....	82	111	175.	1.00	24.83	200.33	25.00	10.00	5.00								70.26	271.04	1.18		
Riddick's Grove.....	51	68	61.50.	1.00	15.00	77.50	8.00	10.00	2.00		1.16		18.19	43.10	6.18	60.82	264.76	736.24	.65		
Roadock.....	163	240	400.	3.00	49.90	432.90	50.50	54.94	27.15		2.75	1.66	16.16	19.90	14.29	8.08	107.69	428.16	.99		
Robert's Chapel.....	40	41	75.	.75	21.00	224.00	12.00	20.00	10.00								61.16	285.16	.47		
Rouquist.....	292	392	300.	2.00	4.19	306.19	25.00	30.00	10.00								107.69	428.16	.47		
Sandy Run.....	90	1138	300.	1.05	26.30	152.35	16.50	10.00	10.00								70.75	235.10	.75		
Seaboard.....	45	63	125.	.50																	
Sleam.....	42	34	100.	1.50	195.23	296.73	5.00	4.79	2.16			2.50	7.50	25.00	38.54	61.49	383.22	99.30	.16		
St. John's.....	57	61	75.	1.50	1.50	77.50	8.00	7.00	3.00		100	5.03	34.00	28.870	2.80	60.00	192.03	448.15	1.11	30.00	
Union.....	84	89	200.	1.50	25.75	227.25	26.00	13.50	13.50								99.93	497.43	.50		
Winton.....	96	102	250.	1.50	36.00	287.50	15.00	15.00	10.00		10.00						99.93	497.43	.50		
Am. F'd at Asso. for P. F. St. & R. Grove				3.21																	
Totals.....	75	11	\$7182.30	2426.73	97.07	770.44	763.86	368.97	236.50	314.99	50	192.17	568.12	525	18	621.10	3918.45	14150.54	149.85		

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	No. of Schools.	Superintendents and Postoffices.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers taken.
Ahoskie.....	1	W. H. Jernigan.....Ahoskie....	9	116		25	200
Aulander.....	1	Abner Early.....Aulander....					
Bethany.....	1	M. W. Pe ry.....Colerain	10	87		50	100
Bethlehem.....	1	R. R. Hoggard.....Bethlehem	16	78		260	162
Brantley's Grove.....	1	R. P. Thomas.....Ahoskie....	10	86		45	120
Buckhorn.....	1	A. O. Kiff.....Como.....	9	65			80
Capehart's.....	2	W. C. Picot.....Evansville					
Cashie.....	1	H. J. Ward.....Merry Hill	14	111		50	20
Center Grove.....	1	C. E. Harden.....Windsor....	10	110		100	125
Chowan.....	1	Thomas Gillam.....Ahoskie....	11	144			100
Christian Harbor.....	1	C. S. Godwin.....Winton.....	8	75			85
Colerain.....	1	John E. Vann.....Harrellsville	8	67			36
Conaritsa.....	1	J. W. Holloman.....Colerain..	15	100			230
Creeksville.....	1	G. M. Matthews.....Hexlena..					
Elam.....	1	Josiah Early.....Creeksville	10	80			44
Galatia.....	1	Edwin Lassiter.....Gumberry..					
Green's X Roads.....	1	Peter Ereksn.....Margaretsville	14	75		40	45
Harrellsville.....	1	J. W. Rose.....Windsor....	10	112			50
Hebron.....	1	G. W. Castellow.....Harrellsville	10	76			40
Hill Side.....	1	C. H. Smith.....Woodland..	8	55		50	60
Holly Grove.....	1	G. M. D. Holloman.....None reported					
Jackson.....	1	F. E. Myers.....Windsor...	7	43			48
Kelford.....	1	F. R. Harris.....Jackson....	9	66		55	71
Lawrence's X Roads.....	1	C. L. L. Cobb.....Kelford....	10	124	67		
Lewiston.....	1	J. R. Phelps.....Sans Souci...	8	50		40	12
Margaretsville.....	1	Not Given.....Margaretsville	8	75		38	36
Mars Hill.....	1	Jordan Edwards.....Rosemeade...	10	40			100
Meherrin.....	1	D. W. Britton.....Murfreesboro..	13	75			125
Mt. Carmel.....	1	W. R. Rayner.....Seaboard.....	9	102		30	88
Mt. Tabor.....	1	W. S. Wilson.....No report				84	
Murfreesboro.....	1	J. G. Joyner.....Murfreesboro..	14	85		40	275
Oak Grove.....	1	P. S. Vann.....Aulander....	9	75			120
Pine Forest.....	1	S. L. Marsh.....Jetts, Va.....	6	20			24
Potecasi.....	1	J. A. Collier.....Woodville....	10	140			150
Pleasant Grove.....	1	N. W. Britton.....Aulander....	7	56			56
Republican.....	1	J. U. Vaughn.....None reported					
Rich Square.....	1	W. E. Clifton.....Rich Square...	8	80			171
Riddick's Grove.....	1	No report.....Lasker.....	6	61			235
Roanoke.....	1	W. J. Lassiter.....Pendleton...	12	156		89	161
Robert's Chapel.....	1	D. N. Stephenson.....Windsor....	10	27			60
Roquist.....	1	A. L. Pritchard.....Windso....					
Ross'.....	1	Worley Cowand.....Roxobel....	12	114		351	135
Sandy Run.....	1	A. T. Liverman.....Seaboard.....	10	49		135	93
Seaboard.....	1	J. R. Crocker.....No report					
Siloam.....	1	W. H. Harrell.....Severn.....	14	90			120
Severn.....	1	W. E. Jenkins.....St. Johns....	7	78			60
St. Johns.....	1	A. C. Vann.....Union.....	14	85			150
Union.....	1	B. F. Barkam.....Winton.....	12	98		50	110
Winton.....							
TOTALS.....	46		412	3386	67	1532	3895

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J. H. Speight, Ahoskie, N. C.
S. F. Bristow, Colerain, N. C.
Dancy Cale, Potecasi, N. C.
R. D. Cross, Ahoskie, N. C.
L. M. Curtis, Aulander, N. C.
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M. L. Green, Ahoskie, N. C.
S. B. Barnes, Branning, N. C.
G. P. Harrill, Murfreesboro, N. C.
C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro, N. C.
T. T. Speight, Lewiston, N. C.
E. S. Pearce, Merry Hill, N. C.
R. T. White, Seaboard, N. C.
C. E. Edwards, Seaboard, N. C.
John J. Douglass, Windsor, N. C.
J. B. Chitty, Lewiston, N. C.
J. C. Mizell, Merry Hill, N. C.
J. R. Mathews, Hexlena, N. C.
B. Leggett, Windsor, N. C.
Pastors, but not residents of this Association:
Thos. G. Wood, Bell Cross, N. C.
W. P. Jordan, Hertford, N. C.

OFFICERS.

C. W. MITCHELL.....	Moderator.
J. T. WILLIAMS.....	Vice-Moderator.
N. W. BRITTON.....	Clerk.
G. M. POWELL.....	Treasurer.
C. W. SCARBOROUGH.....	Historian.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP.

ART. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: *Provided*, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECT.

ART. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

ART. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but can not bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

ART. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice; or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons; or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements; or upon application of a church for dismission.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

ART. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

ART. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality. (2) The names of its pastor and clerk and their respective postoffices. (3) The Sabbaths of regular service. (4) The church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female. (5) Sabbath School statistics. (6) Amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund. (7) Names of delegates and alternates. (8) Any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

ART. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed, to enforce the rules; to preserve order; and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

ART. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

ART. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

ART. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

ART. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the Minutes an historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

ART. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. Adopted 1898.

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.
2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.
3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.
4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.
5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.
7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.
8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.
9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

- 11.00 a. m. Introductory Sermon.
- 12.00 m. Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
- 12.30 p. m. Recess.
- 2.00 p. m. Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize. Read Constitution. Call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session. Receive new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint committees.
- 3.00 p. m. Report on Temperance.
- 3.30 p. m. Report on Periodicals.
- 4.00 p. m. Assignment of Homes. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

- 9.30 a. m. Devotional Exercises.
- 10.00 a. m. Routine Business.
- 10.15 a. m. Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.
- 11.00 a. m. Report on Education.
- 11.45 a. m. Report on State Missions.
- 12.30 p. m. Recess.
- 2.00 p. m. Convene. Routine Business.
- 2.10 p. m. Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
- 2.30 p. m. Report on Baptist Orphanage.
- 3.15 p. m. Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

- 9.30 a. m. Devotional Exercises.
- 10.00 a. m. Convene. Routine Business.
- 10.15 a. m. Report on Home Missions.
- 11.00 a. m. Report on Church Statistics.
- 11.15 a. m. Report of Committees. Miscellaneous business. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

Tuesday, October 30, 1900.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met in its eighteenth annual session this day with the church at Poteeasi, Northampton County. The introductory sermon was preached by R. D. Cross. Text, Gal. 6, 14.

After the sermon the Moderator, J. C. Scarborough, called the Association to order, and appointed the Committee on Credentials, as follows:

D. W. Britton, B. F. Martin, J. T. Chitty, A. W. Early and C. F. Griffin.

N. W. Britton welcomed the Association.

The Moderator requested E. J. Harrell, on behalf of the Association, to respond, which he did.

The roll of churches was called, and delegates enrolled as follows:

Ahoskie—D. E. Newsome, W. H. Miller, T. J. Vann.
Aulanger—A. W. Early, W. H. Mitchell, C. W. Mitchell.
Bethlehem—J. J. Hoggard, A. Bass, R. J. Hoggard.
Bethany—W. C. Hughes, J. W. Pearce.
Brantley's Grove—J. B. Modlin, W. J. Cowan.
Buckhorn—G. C. Picot, J. W. Raily, J. B. Whitley.
Capehart's—E. White, H. J. Ward, J. C. Mizell.
Cashie—*D. E. Modlin, *J. H. White, *E. L. Gatling.
Center Grove—J. E. Mathews, *C. S. Godwin, *J. D. Jenkins.
Chowan—W. P. Taylor, *T. D. Boone.
Christian Harbor—J. H. Evans, W. P. Lassiter, A. B. Burch.
Colerain—*J. D. Evans, W. B. Felton, H. E. Wilson.
Coraritsa—W. D. Burden, John P. Slade, Zepha L. Eure.
Creeksville—J. T. Lanier, Edwin Lassiter.
Elam—B. L. Sykes, C. L. Stephenson, J. R. Stephenson.
Galatia—J. T. Lewter, D. W. Taylor, H. P. Spencer.
Green X Roads—M. W. White, D. W. Castelow.
Harrellsville—J. T. Williams, J. M. Powell.
Hebron—J. H. Griffin, G. M. Hollomon, C. R. Bevel.
Hillside—W. C. Mitchell, W. E. Saunders.
Holly Grove—E. Pritchard, J. W. Barnes.
Jackson—R. W. Fleetwood, Edwin Wright.
Kelford—W. C. Evans, Wiley J. Parker.
Lawrence's X Roads—T. R. Thomson, W. Langdale, J. R. Langdale.
Lewiston—J. L. Harrington, B. C. Vick, Junius Bridgers.
Margarettsville—Jordan Edwards, J. P. Parker.
Mars Hill—D. W. Britton, W. R. Raynor, J. M. Phelps, *W. D. Perry.
Meherrin—J. T. Chitty, R. J. Ricks, H. T. Parker, W. T. Nelson.
Mt. Carmel—T. J. Stephenson, J. T. Long, C. Parker.
Mt. Tabor—Norfleet Vinson, Jno. Gatling, H. P. Gatling.
Murfreesboro—W. G. Freeman, Uriah Watson.
Oak Grove—W. M. Marsh, A. E. Saunders.
Pine Forest—J. A. Collier, W. H. Camp.

Potecasi—D. M. Beale, B. F. Traylor, J. M. Baugham.
 Pleasant Grove—N. J. Britton, *I. J. Snipes, A. V. Joyner.
 Republican—C. J. Joyner, Jas. T. Cowan.
 Rich Square—A. J. Rountree, Jas. N. Futrell, A. Vann.
 Riddick Grove—
 Roanoke—L. J. Hollomon, R. J. Bennett, *R. C. Lassiter.
 Roberts Chapel—B. F. Martin, D. C. Parker, J. H. Stephenson,
 K. R. Maddrey.
 Roquist—J. E. Tadlock, J. A. Johnson.
 Ross—W. D. White, M. B. Morris, *J. P. Mizell, *W. D. Mizell.
 Sandy Run—J. C. Tyner, W. J. Watson, A. T. Livermon.
 Seaboard—J. R. Crocker, J. D. Pope.
 Silcoam—
 Severn—W. Howell, W. H. Maddrey.
 St. Johns—W. P. Howard, Edward Britt.
 Union—J. W. Taylor, W. J. Vaughan, William Cobb.
 Winton—T. L. Lassiter, John A. Downs, L. Hollomon.

*Absent.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, which invitation was accepted by B. Craig, of the Tar River Association; brother Barker, of the Eastern Association; Dr. John Mitchell, Secretary of Board of Education; B. W. Spilman, and J. C. Caddell.

The Association adjourned until 2.30 p. m.

Benediction by Dr. John Mitchell.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order, after which he read a portion of Scripture, and brother E. S. Pearce led in prayer.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the churches in accord with the Constitution.

The Association proceeded to elect its officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: C. W. Mitchell, Moderator; J. T. Williams, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; J. M. Powell, Treasurer, and C. W. Scarborough, Historian.

The Moderator appointed the Committee on Finance as follows: I. P. Parker, W. P. Taylor, A. W. Early.

The time having arrived, brother S. B. Barnes read the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We can not enumerate all the evils of strong drink. We must be content to notice only a few of its many evils. God's Word says, it is an evil, it is a deceiver. Solomon says: "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." We ask, how does it deceive? Isaiah answers: "But they have erred through wine; and through strong drink are out of the way. The Priest and the people erred through strong drink. They are swallowed up of wine. They are out of the way through strong drink, they err in vision, they stumble in judgment."

Strong drink blinds the eye that man can not see the sin of the social glass. They can not see the evil of manufacturing this great deceiver for common use. Their eyes are blinded, their judgments are perverted, and hence they are not wise.

It takes away the hearts of men. The heart rightfully belongs to God. He says: "Son, give me thine heart." Strong drink steals away the heart and gives it to the devil. Hence the poor, deceived, deluded one drinks and advocates its use. He is loud in his advocacy of moderate drinking. Being blinded, he does not see that the moderate drinker makes the drunkard.

God's curse rests upon all that make, use, or in any way tempt others to use it as a beverage.

Habakuk says: "Woe to him that putteth the bottle to his neighbor's mouth, that maketh him drunken also."

It is an evil. The man that never drinks, that never gets drunk, to him strong drink is an evil; because it leads to drunkenness, and drunkenness leads to hell.

It is the cause of many troubles in our churches. It leads to poverty and to crime, because it is the great deceiver of mankind. The gospel tells us that whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap. If we sow to strong drink, we shall reap drunkenness and its dreadful fruits; such as dishonor, crime, wounds without cause, contentions, heart-breakings, imprisonment, disease, death, and hell.

Let churches, pastors, deacons, do all we can to put this evil from among us. Preach against it, and put away from us that evil thing, alcohol.

S. B. BARNES,
J. C. TINES,
J. P. FREEMAN,
Committee.

The report was discussed by J. C. Scarborough, D. Cale and R. T. White.

The report was adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following Committee on Time, Place and Preachers for the next session of this body: Edwin Wright, E. Baugham and H. J. Ward.

On motion, G. P. Harrill read the

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We are glad to report that during the last year, there has been a large increase in the number of readers of our religious periodicals among our people. We have appreciated the special offer to the readers of the *Biblical Recorder* for the year, and our pastors and laymen have shown their appreciation by the many clubs sent up by the different churches.

We earnestly recommend the reading of our religious periodicals, not only because it is the medium through which our people are kept posted in regard to our denominational work, but because it is through this channel that our people get much of their strongest denominational teaching.

We desire to recommend specially the *Biblical Recorder*, *Charity and Children*, and *The Foreign Mission Journal*.

G. P. HARRILL,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by J. C. Caddell and J. C. Fleetwood, and adopted.

On motion, the Committee on Hospitality reported, and the delegates were assigned homes.

The following resolution was offered by E. J. Harrell:

"Resolved, That in view of the fact that death has visited the home of one of our pastors, brother Douglass, of Windsor, and removed his little child, we as an Association, express to him our profound sympathy, and assure him of our prayers for him and his family in this dark hour. That we send him a copy of this resolution."

The resolution was adopted, and brother Harrell was instructed to send a copy to brother Douglass.

On motion, Wednesday of this week, was designated as Century Day.

The Association adjourned.

Benediction by brother J. C. Fleetwood.

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday, October 31, 1900.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, and C. W. Scarborough led in prayer.

The special hour having arrived for the report on C. B. F. Institute, on motion, the presenting of the report was deferred until to-morrow at 10.30 o'clock.

The following visiting brethren were recognized: J. B. Boone, of the Baptist Orphanage; J. E. White, Secretary of the State Mission Board, and J. H. Rich, of the *North Carolina Baptist*.

The time for the discussion of the Century Movement having arrived, brother J. W. Bailey, of the *Biblical Recorder*, was introduced to the Association, and spoke on "The Baptists in History;" after which the Association stood and sang "How Firm a Foundation."

Brother C. W. Scarborough read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Your Committee would call attention to the two lines of work of our State Mission Board:

1. The work of enlarging and developing what we have; lest we should lose it; and with it lose our opportunity for serving God.
2. The work of evangelizing other fields.

The work of enlarging and of developing what we have, is in the west. All denominations concede that western North Carolina is a Baptist country. In twenty counties in the west there are 300,000 white people, and 75,000 of these are members of Baptist churches. These people are undeveloped, but crying for the light, and are willing to receive it from us. These people we ought to help, and are helping. And this vast mountain region, if we use the opportunity within our reach, shall become a great power for God in holding up the cross, before the eyes of the oncoming multitude who are rushing in to develop that part of our State.

The fields we are to evangelize are principally around our factories, and in the eastern and southeastern parts of our State.

Factories are being established in North Carolina at the rate of from 30 to 50 per year; and conservative factory men predict that in twenty years North Carolina factories will furnish employment for 300,000 operatives. The operatives in these factories are for the

most part children, and young men and women. Who would for a moment deny that here is a great opportunity, and also a solemn responsibility to bring these people to Christ.

A large section in the eastern and southeastern parts of our State is really destitute of gospel preaching, and many, very many, of the people are drifting into practical infidelity. In this section almost every variety of religious belief flourishes, and yet the great mass of them are absolutely without hope, and are going into eternity lost. Even Mormonism is there, and the number of its missionaries nearly equals the number we send.

In these fields our State Mission Board is at work. These fields have growing needs, and to meet these, our churches must increase their contributions.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH.

Brother B. Craig discussed the report, and asked the Association for help in building a church in Martin County. He received in cash \$21.50, and in subscription \$61.00.

Brother J. E. White then addressed the Association on "A Century of Missions."

A collection was taken for State Missions, amounting to \$30.18.

The roll of churches was called, and the following amounts were pledged for next year:

Ahoskie, \$50.00; Aulander, \$35.00; Bethany, \$10.00; Bethlehem, \$40.00; Brantley's Grove, \$11.00; Buckhorn, \$45.00; Capehart's, \$25.00; Cashie, \$25.00; Chowan, \$50.00; Christian Harbor, \$6.00; Cole-rain, \$30.00; Conaritsa, \$25.00; Creeksville, \$6.00; Center Grove, \$20.00; Elam, \$15.00; Galatia, \$15.00; Green's X Roads, \$6.00; Harrellsville, \$15.00; Hebron, \$20.00; Hill Side, \$6.00; Holly Grove, \$10.00; Jackson, \$20.00; Kelford, \$12.00; Lawrence's X Roads, \$16.00; Lewiston, \$8.00; Margarettsville, \$10.00; Mar's Hill, \$25.00; Meher-rin, (paid), \$13.00; Mt. Carmel, \$18.00; Mt. Tabor, \$25.00; Murfrees-boro, \$25.00; Oak Grove, \$6.00; Pine Forest, ...; Pleasant Grove, \$20.00; Potecasi, \$25.00; Republican, \$25.00; Rich Square, \$20.00; Riddick's Grove, ...; Roanoke, \$10.00; Roberts' Chapel, \$50.00; Roquist, \$6.00; Ross', \$18.00; Sandy Run, \$25.00; Seaboard, \$15.00; Severn, \$15.00; Siloam, \$2.00; St. John's, \$15.00; Union, \$27.00; Winton, \$15.00.

The Association adjourned.

Benediction by S. F. Bristow.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order. B. W. Spilman led in prayer.

Nathan I. Levinson, a converted Jew, was introduced to the Association, and made an interesting talk.

B. P. Brown, a visiting brother, was recognized by the Moderator.

R. D. Cross presented the

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The religion of Christ is a religion of sacrifice, and the only religion that is acceptable to Him must look away from self to the needy; the strong reaching out to help the weak and dependent. The same spirit that prompted Christ to die for a dependent lost

world, moved upon the hearts of some of the leading Baptists of North Carolina to provide a home for the children of their dead brethren, where they can be fed, clothed, and given an English education, and be fitted for life's work.

In obedience to this impulse, a farm of about three hundred acres was purchased in Davidson County, near Thomasville, N. C. Brick cottages were soon erected, one by a brother from this Association, and in November, 1885, brother J. H. Mills, the General Manager, opened the door to the first orphan.

This institution, which was opposed by some, and looked upon as a venture by many, soon gained a hold upon the hearts of our people, and now has become a great institution, that holds a prominent place in the love of our people, and is casting sunshine and scattering flowers in every section of the State.

The institution is a well-arranged home, on a farm, a mile from town. The children live in families of about thirty-five in a family (girls and boys in separate homes), controlled by a matron and teacher; the children do the cooking and sewing.

We have stock and farming utensils necessary to cultivate the farm, and each year large crops of wheat, corn and vegetables, that help to feed the children, are raised.

We have one hundred and ninety children there now, and about all the available space is taken, and many applications for worthy and needy children are coming, which must be refused. Therefore, we greatly need some new buildings, that more children may be taken, then an enlarged support for them.

The Mills Memorial Building, a machine shop where the boys may be trained for life's work, on which our Association pledged \$200, most of which has been paid, is being built at a cost of \$2,500. But when this building is finished, as much more will be needed for machinery.

In regard to the many other needs, we refer you to the General Manager, Rev. J. B. Boone.

We heartily commend the institution to churches and Sunday Schools, and ask that each Sunday School in our bounds shall take at least one collection each month for the support of the children.

R. D. CROSS,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by J. B. Boone and J. C. Scarborough. A collection was taken, amounting to \$8.10. Report was adopted.

D. Cale read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

In the year nineteen hundred, there has been 671 missionaries at work under the supervision of the Home Board. Dr. Kerfoot was elected Corresponding Secretary, and after visiting the conventions in the different States, has been led to believe that the work of the Home Board underlies all our work. After investigating the work of the Boards, your committee has decided that the Home Board is the one of all the Boards, the most important. We believe that the Foreign Mission work is dependent on our work at home, as well as all our other work.

The reports from our missionaries for 1899 and 1900, show 5,696 baptisms, also 6,255 received by letter. We can see by these reports something of the work done by our Home Board. We can also see

from the number received by letter, how fast the people are rushing into these new cities, and into the country where our work is going on.

We believe that God has blessed his people in the home work more than any other work of the convention, and especially do we say this, when we see what has been done with the small amount received by the Board. Cash received by the Board last year was \$79,366.68, and out of this, seventy-one churches were built; and some of our cities put more than this amount in one building. All of our States, except one, show an increase in cash over last year.

We believe one of the great needs in some regions is education. The Northern Presbyterians spent \$75,000 last year in the mountain region educating the people; we all know the meaning of that. They say if we will not, they will. To say nothing of our work in this land, Cuba to-day needs more than every dollar the Board received last year. The world is claiming more at our hands than ever before. What shall we do with this responsibility?

Two more months, and we shall enter into a new century. God has, during the past century, given us so much; shall we not with gratitude and thankfulness to Him, for past favors, be stimulated to do greater things for Him? Your committee would not recommend, as was done last year, to go up on our pledges ten per cent, but to put Home Missions equal with State Missions and Foreign Missions.

DANCY CALE,
J. E. MATHEWS,
For Committee.

After discussion by B. W. Spilman and J. H. Rich, the list of churches was called and pledges made as follows:

Ahoskie, \$11.00; Aulander, \$25.00; Bethany, \$3.50; Bethlehem, \$20.00; Brantley's Grove, \$11.00; Buckhorn, \$13.50; Capehart's, \$8.00; Cashie, \$12.00; Chowan, \$12.00; Christian Harbor, \$3.50; Cole-rain, \$6.00; Conaritsa, \$15.00; Creekville, ...; Center Grove, \$15.00; Elam, \$5.00; Galatia, \$6.00; Green's X Roads, \$3.00; Harrells-ville, \$12.00; Hebron, \$10.00; Hill Side, \$2.25; Jackson, \$10.00; Kel-ford, \$10.00; Lawrence's X Roads, \$3.00; Lewiston, \$6.00; Mar's Hill, \$20.00; Margarettsville, \$7.00; Meherrin (paid), \$12.00; Mt. Carmel, \$7.50; Mt. Tabor, \$7.00; Murfreesboro, \$15.00; Oak Grove, \$6.00; Pine Forest, ...; Pleasant Grove, \$15.00; Potecasi, \$15.00; Republi-can, \$11.00; Rich Square, \$5.00; Riddick's Grove, ...; Roanoke, \$2.50; Roberts' Chapel, \$22.00; Roquist, \$5.00; Ross', \$10.00; Sandy Run, \$10.00; Seaboard, \$11.00; Severn, \$10.00; Siloam, \$2.00; St. John's, \$5.00; Union, \$15.00; Holly Grove, \$5.00; Winton, \$10.00.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preachers for next session reported the following: Place, Capehart's; time, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, after the fourth Sunday in October, 1901. To preach introductory sermon J. J. Douglass; alternate, G. P. Harrill.

E. BAUGHAM,
W. G. BURDEN,
H. J. WARD,
Committee.

Report was adopted.

Adjourned. Prayer by brother J. E. White.

THIRD DAY.

Thursday, November 1, 1900.

The Moderator called the Association to order, and J. A. Speight led in prayer.

On motion, a committee, consisting of J. A. Speight, C. W. Scarborough and A. Bass, was appointed to write a memorial of B. B. Williams.

Brother W. B. Felton offered the following resolution on hospitality, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to the members of this church, and to the people of the surrounding community, for the very generous hospitality extended to the delegates and visitors to this session of the Association.

The Clerk was ordered to place on the list of ordained ministers the names of R. T. White, Seaboard, N. C.; C. E. Edwards, Seaboard, N. C., and J. C. Mizell, Merry Hill, N. C.

Brother S. F. Bristow read the

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND.

Last year there were fourteen families aided by this Board. Contributions amounted to a little more than \$1,000—about \$80 to the family. This year we have seventeen families. The contributions this year amount to a very little more than last year.

We believe the pastors of our churches are responsible to a great extent for the small contributions. We urge upon our churches not to neglect the poor ministers who have given their life-work for the salvation of souls.

S. F. BRISTOW,

For Committee.

After being discussed by R. D. Cross, T. T. Speight, E. S. Pearce, T. G. Wood and J. A. Speight, the report was adopted.

Brother J. T. Williams read the

REPORT ON C. B. F. INSTITUTE.

God in His providence gave our forefathers the wisdom to see and to realize that if they were to secure and hold eastern North Carolina for the Baptist denomination, they must plan and arrange for the moral and mental training of those who were to be the mothers of the leaders of our homes, our churches and our State; and thus realizing, they organized Chowan Baptist Female Institute, just fifty-two years since; and from that time until the present, we believe it has been one of the most powerful influences in building up and refining Christian womanhood in eastern North Carolina.

We believe the heart training, the most important of all, of the pupils of the Institute, has been, and is to-day, equal, if not superior, to that of any other female institution of like grade in the State. As proof of this assertion, we mention the fact that a larger per cent of the women educated and who have taught there, have gone as missionaries to foreign fields than from any other female institution, not only in the State, but in the South.

Another fact, which may be mentioned as proof, is that the Association, in which the Institute is located, has contributed more

money than any other in the State for the past fifteen years towards the education of Baptist ministers at Wake Forest College; thus demonstrating the liberalizing influence of the Institute upon the women trained under her auspices.

Our present efficient and wise President is a true and tried Baptist, an educator of large experience, a man of big heart, strong intellect and noble impulses. These noble endowments of head and heart, and his excellent skill as a trainer of young womanhood, entitle him to our fullest confidence, generous support and unstinted patronage. As it is a Baptist school, the Trustees and President ask our Baptist people for their sympathy, their prayers, their patronage, their contributions, and in fine, their hearty cooperation.

The Trustees at their last annual meeting decided to ask the Baptists of the Chowan and West Chowan Associations for \$1,000, to make some needed repairs to the building, to repair and refurnish the scientific apparatus, and to put waterworks in the building. The committee appointed by the Trustees to bring this matter before the people has hesitated, awaiting a fuller conference with you, and definite authority from the Association.

We are profoundly thankful for what the Institute has already accomplished, but grateful as we are for the five decades and more of unbroken, and efficient service to the cause of God and womanhood, we must again bring before this, one of the greatest Associations on earth, the imperative needs of this grand old Institution. Shall she cry in vain to so generous a body of men and women as are before us to-day?

The time has come for something more substantial than eulogy and benediction. The C. B. F. Institute can not live and run on past momentum; she has been forced to draw too heavily already on her own well-earned prestige. We must have money, if this school shall meet the demands and expectations of the present and future.

Respectfully submitted,

R. P. THOMAS,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by J. C. Scarborough, L. M. Curtis, T. T. Speight, and J. T. Williams. The following resolution was offered by E. S. Pearce:

"Resolved, That the Association instruct the Committee on Repairs of C. B. F. Institute to send to the churches the amounts designated, that they may pay them or return the same to the committee."

Report was adopted.

The time having arrived, brother C. R. Harrell read the

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

God has ordained that men shall be saved through the foolishness of preaching. God *calls* men to be preachers of the gospel and pastors of His churches. This call means that ministers—pastors—are separated from the ordinary secular vocations for making their livings, and that preachers of the gospel shall live of the gospel. The call of God is a necessity for a truly successful ministry; and along with the call comes the duty of proper preparation on the part of the preacher, for his work. And we believe the duty of helping preachers in their preparation for preaching is laid upon our churches. This is what we do in our contributions to the Board of Education having this matter in charge. The number received

by the Board up to the present this year is thirty-eight. We heartily and earnestly recommend that our brethren throughout the Association urge, not only the young ministers, but all other young men to seek a course of training at Wake Forest College as the best preparation for life's work attainable in North Carolina.

We further urge upon the churches the duty of contributing as liberally as possible to the Board of Education for the expenses of the young preachers in preparing themselves for the preaching of the gospel.

C. R. HARRELL,
K. R. MADDREY,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by Dr. John Mitchell, and adopted.

Brother Rufus Bradley was recognized as a visitor, and invited to a seat in the Association.

C. W. Mitchell read Report of the Woman's Central Committee of Missions, which appears in another place.

The report was discussed by C. W. Mitchell.

Brother E. J. Harrell presented the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The century now closing has been the most marvelous in the history of the world. Mr. Gladstone, the greatest statesman of the century, is quoted as saying, "That the world's advance has moved on such flying feet, that in the first fifty years of the nineteenth century all previous history was outrun, that even this was surpassed by the next twenty-five, and this again by the rate of progress of the next ten. Thus the rate of advance was so accelerated that even one decade of years witnessed a forward stride of the race more gigantic than all the previous ages of history."

Foreign Missions have shared in this wonderful progress. So wonderful has been the growth and progress of mission work, that this is denominated the century of missions.

Southern Baptists are engaged in Foreign Mission work in six different countries.

CHINA.

Fifty-five years ago we began work in China, which is divided into South, Central and North China Missions. Our South China mission centres at Canton, a city of 1,500,000 inhabitants. From this city our workers reach out into all parts of the adjacent country. Moving up the coast near a thousand miles, we come to Central China, where Dr. Yates spent his long and useful life. At Soochow, with a population of 500,000, brother T. C. Britton, once a member of this church, has been laboring very acceptably. Some 600 miles further up the coast is the North China mission, where fifteen of our missionaries have been laboring successfully.

Recent troubles have sorely tried our work here, but brethren write of how nobly the native Christians have proven faithful to Christ, some even dying for the Master.

Because of the disturbance, statistics are hard to give; but a few months ago we had in China 23 churches, 36 out-stations, 47 missionaries, only 12 of whom are in this country at present, 55 native helpers and 2,299 church members. Last year there were 597 baptisms.

We rejoice at what has been accomplished in China during a half century, but what is this in comparison to what ought to have been done? Only a few thousand of the near 400,000,000 of China have been reached by us.

AFRICA.

The next field in which Southern Baptists began Foreign Mission work was Africa, in 1850. The climate is very trying to our missionaries. The people are pure Negroes, full of superstition, and with very low morals.

Their religion is idolatry and fetishism, and has no reference to a future life.

We have in this field 7 missionaries, 12 native assistants, 6 churches, 6 out-stations, 385 members, 56 baptisms last year. But we have only touched the borders of Africa. Within the heart of this great country are 75,000,000 who have never heard of Jesus Christ as a Saviour.

ITALY.

Italy was our next field, which we entered just thirty years ago. Brother George B. Taylor, son of the first Secretary of our Foreign Mission Board, has been our missionary in the historic city of Rome, over twenty-five years.

Brother C. J. F. Anderson and wife sailed October 22, for Italy, where they will assist Brother Taylor in this work. Work is done by 20 native helpers at different points over the land. Last year we had in this field 24 churches, 20 out-stations, 625 members, and 72 baptisms.

Italy has a population of 31,000,000, of these 62,000 are Protestants. There are 15 Protestant churches in Rome, the home of the Pope. All this has been accomplished in thirty years.

MEXICO.

In 1880 Southern Baptists began work in Mexico. In a population of 12,000,000, we have 12 missionaries, with 20 assistants, 32 churches and 1,232 members. Think, 8,000,000 people in Mexico have never seen a Bible.

BRAZIL.

In 1882 work was begun in Brazil, a land of 16,000,000 people. After only eighteen years we have 19 missionaries, 27 churches, 45 out-stations, and 1,922 members. This is a promising field. We ought to have more workers.

JAPAN.

Our youngest mission is Japan, which we entered eleven years ago. Much of the work done is foundation work. We have here 8 missionaries and 75 members. Many of our missionaries in China have fled to Japan for safety. These have greatly strengthened our forces there. We are deeply pained to record the death of Mrs. W. E. Croker, September 15, in Japan.

The earth's population is 1,500,000,000, of which more than 1,000,000,000 are yet non-Christian. For the world's redemption Protestants are giving annually about \$15,000,000 to sustain a force of 14,200 missionaries and about 65,000 native helpers. The stations occupied exceed 25,000; the communicants are about 1,500,000, and increase at the rate of 75,000 annually. So we see that mission work has only fairly begun. There is yet much land to be possessed for Christ. What a work for those of the twentieth century to do!

This Association has in the last five years increased largely its gifts to all other objects, but there has been a sad falling off on Foreign Missions.

Oh, that we had done our full share of this work also. This we are able to do.

Christ wants the world to hear of His dying love and resurrection power. Some to go, some to stay, but all to help. Our Foreign Mission Board is calling for \$260,000 this year. Churches everywhere are trying to increase their gifts 25 per cent.

Will this Association fall in with this upward movement for Christ and the world?

E. J. HARRELL,
For Committee.

The report was discussed by E. J. Harrell and J. C. Scarborough.

The roll of churches was called, and pledges made as follows:

Ahoskie, \$35.00; Aulander, \$40.00; Bethany, \$6.50; Bethlehem, \$30.00; Brantley's Grove, \$11.00; Buckhorn, \$35.00; Capeheart's, \$25.00; Cashie, \$25.00; Chowan, \$30.00; Christian Harbor, \$4.00; Cole-rain, \$25.00; Conaritsa, \$25.00; Creekville, \$5.00; Center Grove, \$20.00; Elam, \$20.00; Galatia, \$11.00; Green's X Roads, \$5.00; Harrellsville, \$10.00; Hebron, \$15.00; Hill Side, \$2.25; Holly Grove, \$8.00; Jackson, \$10.00; Kelford, \$10.00; Lewiston, \$10.00; Margarettsville, \$8.00; Mars Hill, \$50.00; Meherrin (paid), \$13.00; Mt. Carmel, \$15.00; Mt. Tabor, \$18.00; Murfreesboro, \$15.00; Oak Grove, \$4.00; Pine Forest, ...; Pleasant Grove, \$20.00; Potecasi, \$25.00; Republican, \$20.00; Ross', \$20.00; Rich Square, \$12.50; Riddick's Grove, ...; Roanoke, \$8.00; Roberts' Chapel, \$50.00; Roquist, \$5.00; Sandy Run, \$20.00; Seaboard, \$10.00; Severn, \$12.00; Siloam, ...; St. John's, \$12.00; Union, \$15.00; Winton, \$15.00; Lawrence's X Roads, \$6.00.

The report was adopted.

N. W. Britton submitted the Treasurer's Report from October 26, 1899, to November 1, 1900:

Received from Finance Committee, 1899:

For Foreign Missions	\$237.52
For Home Missions	110.93
For State Missions	183.53
For Baptist Orphanage	17.22
For Ministers' Relief Fund	14.46
For Education	68.71

Total 632.37

Paid John E. White

For Foreign Missions	\$237.52
For Home Missions	110.93
For State Missions	183.50
For Ministers' Relief Fund	14.46
Paid Dr. John Mitchell for Education	68.71
Paid J. B. Boone for Baptist Orphanage	17.22
Paid W. R. Raynor for service as Clerk	25.00
Paid Kenny & Rhea, for printing Minutes	50.00

Total 707.34

Balance in treasury 12 cents.

N. W. BRITTON, *Treasurer.*

Adopted.

The committee made the following

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We have received in cash contributions from the churches the following amounts, and for the following objects:

State Missions	\$176.88
Foreign Missions	164.99
Education	42.50
Ministers' Relief Fund	2.00
Orphanage	24.45
Minute Fund	68.20

Total	567.75
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I. P. PARKER,
W. P. TAYLOR,
A. W. EARLY,

Committee.

Report adopted.

The committee made the following

REPORT ON CHURCH STATISTICS.

During the last associational year, 510 members have been received by baptism, 197 by letter, 79 by restoration. Dismissed by letter 258, by expulsion, 141; died 117. Number of churches 49, with 4,078 male members and 5,282 female members, making a total of 9,561 members; a gain of 191 members. Three churches report without a pastor—Jackson, Pine Forest and Winton. Seven churches report preaching twice a month. One church has preaching one Sunday and every Sunday night, except 4th and 5th. One church reports preaching every Sunday. One church, Lewiston, reports nothing for State Missions. All the churches represented report something for Home and Foreign Missions. Twelve churches report nothing for Education; six nothing for Orphanage; twenty-three nothing for Ministers' Relief, and four only contributed to the Sunday School Board. Two churches are not represented—Riddick's Grove and Siloam. All the churches report for Benevolence \$3,979.63, an increase of \$776.70 over last year.

E. B. LASSITER,
C. F. GRIFFIN,
I. P. PARKER,

Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

C. W. Scarborough offered the following, which was adopted:

"The committee to whom was referred a resolution in regard to the Sunday School statistics, beg leave to offer a substitute: That W. P. Taylor, J. A. Speight and T. G. Wood be appointed a committee to prepare, have printed and distributed to the churches, in time for use at our next Association, a form of church letter which shall simplify our statistics and emphasize the fact that all our work is church work, and not the work of organizations in the church.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH,
For Committee.

Brother C. W. Scarborough was added to the committee.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

State Missions—J. C. Scarborough, S. P. Winborne, John C. Tiner.

Education—J. C. Mizell, G. C. Picot, J. C. Mathews.

Baptist Orphanage—J. A. Speight, W. H. Miller, E. White.

Ministers' Relief—D. W. Britton, R. W. Fleetwood, D. M. Beale.

Temperance—G. F. Harrill, A. Vann, J. A. Burden.

Periodicals—D. Cale, J. W. Taylor, G. H. Brown.

C. B. F. Institute—T. G. Wood, A. T. Livermond, W. G. Freeman.

Foreign Missions—S. F. Bristow, D. E. Modlin, B. F. Martin.

Home Missions—C. W. Scarborough, H. E. Wilson, W. C. Evans.

Church Statistics—W. R. Raynor, J. T. Williams, J. W. Langdale.

Executive Committee—C. W. Mitchell, J. T. Williams, N. W. Britton, J. M. Powell and C. W. Scarborough.

On motion, J. C. Scarborough was elected a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention. C. W. Mitchell, alternate.

L. M. Curtis and R. P. Thomas were elected delegates to Baptist State Convention.

C. W. Scarborough was elected a member of the State Mission Board.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to set apart twenty copies of the Minutes for the churches not represented at this session.

On motion of brother L. M. Curtis, the following resolution on Order of Business, was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee on Order of Business to report at the next session of this body be appointed, consisting of brethren J. C. Scarborough, J. C. Tiner, C. W. Mitchell and W. P. Taylor."

On motion, the Association adjourned.

Benediction by Dr. John Mitchell.

C. W. MITCHELL, *Moderator*.

N. W. BRITTON, *Clerk*.

ANNUAL REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of West Chowan Association convened for the annual meeting, in the academy at Potecasi, November 30, 1900. Meeting was opened by singing "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing." Vice-President, Miss Blanche Halsey Vann, presided over the meeting, and read John xv. 1-18, prayer was led by Miss Annie E. Parker.

The annual letter from Miss F. E. S. Heck was read by Miss Anna Erickson, after which the President made her report.

Number of letters written	46
Number of postals	28
Number of Societies organized	4
Number of Societies which have reported funds.....	23
Amount of funds reported	\$300.70

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Miss Blanche H. Vann, Vice-President.

Miss Rosa O. Speight, Assistant Vice-President.

Mrs. C. R. Harrell Treasurer.

Miss Annie E. Parker, Secretary.

The representatives reported the following amounts sent up from their respective Societies during the year:

1. Ahoskie Sunbeams	\$4.56
2. Aulander	77.90
3. Capeheart's	6.74
4. Chowan	29.75
5. Elam	18.00
6. Hebron	17.50
7. Holly Grove School House	15.43
8. Mt. Tabor	39.74
9. Mt. Carmel	8.00
10. Meherrin Sunbeams	11.06
11. Murfreesboro Sunbeams	17.92
12. Kelford	23.00
13. Lawrence's Cross-Roads	8.50
14. Oak Grove	3.00
15. Pleasant Grove	19.24
16. Potecasi	35.47
17. Roanoke Sunbeams	8.89
18. Roberts' Chapel	17.75
19. Seaboard	9.00
20. Union	26.56
21. Winton	11.75
Total mount of money	401.17
22. Buckhorn, 1 box, worth	80.00
Grand total	481.17

The following resolution was discussed:

"Resolved, That our Missionary Society request the pastor and deacons of our church to give one prayer-meeting night in each month to the study of and prayer for some mission field, assuring them that we will hold ourselves ready to render any aid they may ask of us in making these meetings interesting and helpful."

The representatives from Roberts' Chapel, Union, Chowan, Aulander and Mt. Carmel promised to try to have it adopted in their Societies.

"The support of a native worker in some foreign field," was discussed, and decided, by a unanimous vote of the representatives, that the Societies undertake this work next year.

A resolution that the Societies help to bear the expenses of the Vice-President to the Convention in Raleigh, was adopted, and the meeting adjourned with prayer, led by Miss Rosa O. Speight.

Miss BLANCHE H. VANN, *President*.

Miss ANNIE E. PARKER, *Secretary*.

REV. B. B. WILLIAMS.

During the past associational year God took to Himself our beloved brother and faithful minister of Jesus Christ, Rev. B. B. Williams at the advanced age of seventy-five years.

He was the last of that heroic and mighty band of men who under God helped to make this Chowan section what it is religiously, socially and intellectually. Brother Williams was born and raised near Mars Hill Church, in Bertie County, N. C. He was a poor, illiterate boy, with no money himself and no moneyed friend to lend him a helping hand, but God gave to him a massive brain and a noble resolve to make the greatest possible use of this life, and he did it. Without that help which his early life withheld from himself and many of his collaborators, he became eminently successful, and without the aid of the schools which are so prolific to-day, he mastered all the problems which stood in the way of his becoming a fine practical scholar, and attained great mastery in scriptural knowledge and pulpit power; and was admired and esteemed by his brethren and the churches which served, as only few men are. Brother Williams spent sixty-odd years in the service of his Lord, and about fifty of these years were spent in preaching the gospel. To him the pulpit was a throne where, like Paul, he wielded the sceptre of reasoning so cogently and logic so overpowering, that men were alarmed at their condition, and honestly sought the pardon of their sins.

As a preacher, brother Williams was a true soldier in service, and like John and Paul, his ardent soul would so fire his audience that in imagination they could see Jesus garlanded and girt for the judgment. He loved to tell the old old story, and like a seer of old, the Saviour's advent seemed so real that the gulf of death was buried in its radiance and a lost world could take refuge in the ark of God.

At various times he served as pastor at Mars Hill, Ahoskie, Holly Grove, Republican, Colerain, Pleasant Grove and Hebron, with short pastorates in other churches. It will take eternity to unfold the vast good which he did, for though dead his work still lives and widens for the betterment of mankind. As a man he was social and kindly, as a friend he was true and helpful, as a husband and

father he was loving and affectionate and devoted, and as a preacher and Christian he had that sustaining faith which seemed like evidence of the invisible realities of the present, and really became mightier than the visible realities which opposed his growth in the divine life and in working out the telescopic visions of usefulness and service which loomed up before his devout and consecrated life. Toward the close of life, Brother Williams became an invalid, and had to give up his active work in the ministry, and yet he was useful to the end, and met his Bible class in the Sunday School at Harrellsville every Sunday, until a week or two before he left for Heaven. In his invalid's chair he closed his life at the home of his son, brother J. T. Williams, for his wife had preceded him a few years to the spirit world. Visions of glory floated before him ere he left, and he went away like the fading of a day, leaving behind only the shadow of tears telling us that we shall see him no more till the morning light shall break—hasten coming day, hasten.

J. A. SPEIGHT.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

The eighteenth session of the West Chowan Association convened on ground truly historic. The church at Potecasi grew out of a great revival in the church at Sandy Run, beginning in the year 1774. This revival lasted fully two years, and in that time Lemuel Burkitt baptized one hundred and fifty. Many of those baptized by Burkitt, into the fellowship of Sandy Run, lived on "Potecasy Creek," in Northampton County. Here a branch of Sandy Run church was formed, and continued to worship and work as a branch for thirty-four years, when it was constituted an independent church—in 1808. Potecasi church was for eighteen years the only Baptist church in Northampton County. Smith's church (Mt. Carmel) was the second Baptist church in the county—constituted in 1826.

Potecasi, though a mother of churches, is still one of the many large churches of the Association—reporting this year 333 members. The church house has recently been repaired, and enlarged by the addition of two large, well-arranged Sunday School rooms. The pastor, L. M. Curtis, is in the second year of his work with this church, and on every side are signs of unity, growth and progress.

It was natural to expect a large crowd, and it came. The place is central and easy to reach, the weather is good, and it is the last meeting of the century. The people knew that Wednesday was to be "Century Day," and the following programme, which I quote in full, drew them:

CENTURY DAY PROGRAMME.

West Chowan Association, Northampton County,
Potecasi, N. C., Wednesday, October 31, 1900.

10.30 a. m.—"The Baptists in History." Editor J. W. Bailey.

11.30 a. m.—"The Progress of the Baptists in Education During the Century." President C. E. Taylor.

2.00 p. m. A Century of Missions.

1st. State Missions—J. C. Scarborough and R. D. Cross.

2nd. Home Missions—J. C. Caddell and C. W. Mitchell.

3d. Foreign Missions—E. J. Harrell and L. M. Curtis.

This was for the second day, but the first day, Tuesday, October 30th, was not without interest, inspiration, enthusiasm. The greetings of God's people as they gathered in the grove of the old church, and as they pressed into the house, the prolonged grasp of hands that had been busy for a year in God's work, the moist eyes of men and women as they sang the old songs, so inspiring to hope and faith--these quickened mind and heart and made all hungry for the old, old story. And we heard the gospel sweet and pure as R. D. Cross, one of the pastors in the Association, gave it from Gal. 6:14. "Glory in Christ" was the theme, and the sermon was clear, tender, helpful, biblical. In the organization complete harmony prevailed, though every officer was changed. The Boards of our State Convention were represented by J. B. Boone, of our Orphanage; John Mitchell, of the Education Board; Jno. E. White, our State Mission Secretary; B. W. Spilman, Sunday School Secretary; J. C. Caddell, the regular representative of the *Recorder*, and J. W. Bailey, the editor of the *Recorder*. Braxton Craig, of Tarboro, and J. H. Rich, of the South Yadkin Association, were recognized as visitors. The Association felt the absence of Elder B. B. Williams, who was present a year ago, but now entered into rest. It is fitting that his life and labors should be recounted in a separate article to appear in the minutes of this session.

"Century Day" was full of interest. The speakers named in the programme were all present except President C. E. Taylor. The addresses on the Baptists in History, State Missions, Home Missions and Foreign Missions, were all worthy of the great subjects, but the speech of Editor Bailey gave great satisfaction to the members of the Association, and to the vast audience of visitors present. He showed in a masterful way that the Baptists are an historical people—not traceable *in name* through the dark ages back to Christ and the Apostles, but that every principle for which the Baptists now contend is grounded in, and taught directly by the New Testament. The educational feature of the programme found expression in a mass-meeting held at night. At this meeting fine addresses on education were delivered by J. W. Bailey and President J. C. Scarborough, of C. B. F. Institute.

The discussions of the day were not without immediate, practical results as the enlarged contributions of the churches show. It is also evident from the report on, and the discussion of C. B. F. Institute, that the people of the Association are slowly, but surely becoming more interested in the school, and more determined that the high grade of Christian education which has been maintained by this school, for nearly half a century, shall continue.

J. B. Boone, General Manager of our Orphanage, brought a most gratifying report of that work. He stated the necessity, now apparent to the Trustees of the Orphanage, for greatly enlarging our work, and also put before the Association certain plans now being discussed, and partly executed not only for enlargement of what we have, but also for the better equipment of the whole plant.

Looking at the work of the 18th session of the West Chowan Association, in connection with the spirit and work of the Baptists of the State, even the dullest must see that the hour has struck when there must be a great forward movement.

A large majority of the churches of the Association have been blessed with revivals during the year, and considerable increase in membership is reported. This is cause for great joy, and accounts largely for the fact that the session of 1900 has been one of more

than usual interest. Delegates, pastors, and visitors turn hopefully from the meeting, and for the next year, look with quickened faith, for yet greater blessings from the great Head of the Church. May the churches, in their reports to the next session at Capeheart's, find that God has blessed them more largely than they dared to hope.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH, *Historian*.

REPORT OF WEST CHOWAN SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The West Chowan Sunday School Convention met in its eleventh annual session, with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hertford County, July 27, 28 and 29, 1900.

Introductory sermon was preached by G. P. Harrell, from Rom. 11: 13-14.

Roll-call showed 43 schools represented.

Reorganization resulted in the election of D. W. Britton, President; N. W. Britton, Vice-President; W. J. Beale, Secretary; Dr. Frank Griffin, Treasurer.

The following committees were named:

On Digest of Sunday School Letters—J. W. Fleetwood, D. N. Stephenson, Thomas Gillams.

On Time, Place and Preachers for Next Session—C. W. Mitchell, C. J. Bradley, E. C. Allen.

On Practical Subjects for Next Session—L. M. Curtis, C. W. Scarborough, D. Cale.

The following motion by C. W. Mitchell was adopted by Convention:

"That the Association be requested to designate Wednesday of the Association as Centennial Day; that the Committee on Programme set apart two hours of the morning session to Foreign Missions, two hours of the afternoon to Home and State Missions, and two hours at night to Christian Education and Sunday School work."

Subjects discussed:

1. Value of Sunday School Work (a) To church; discussed by Thomas Lassiter, Prof. C. E. Brewer, of Wake Forest; T. T. Wood. (b) To the Home; discussed by A. Vann. (c) To Community at Large; discussed by T. T. Speight.

2. The Bible—(a) Its Place in the Home; discussed by Dr. Early, C. W. Scarborough, J. C. Scarborough. (b) Its place in our civilization; discussed by C. W. Mitchell.

3. The Young People—(a) How to Enlist them in Sunday School Work; discussed by T. Gillams and R. P. Thomas. (b) How the Sunday School Fits them for Social Life; discussed by W. L. Davis. (c) How It Prepares them For Life's Work; discussed by W. J. Beale, J. C. Scarborough.

Sunday sermon was preached by R. T. Vann. Text: Heb. 11:16.

Next session of Sunday School Convention meets with Mars Hill Baptist Church, Bertie County, Friday before the fifth Lord's day in June, 1901. To preach introductory sermon, E. J. Harrell; alternate, J. Z. Eure; to preach Sunday sermon at 11 a. m., T. G. Wood; alternate, D. Cale.

D. W. BRITTON, *President*.

W. J. BEALE, *Secretary*.

Raleigh, N. C., 1900.

To the West Chowan Association.

It is with great pleasure that the Woman's Central Committee of Missions reports to your body the most successful year in its history. For some time past it has been our custom to take an aim and motto for the year, and to bend our energies towards fulfilling these. In 1899 the Woman's Missionary Societies of North Carolina determined to endeavor to raise \$7,500. When we gathered in our annual meeting last December we were greatly gratified to find that we had far overshot our mark, and instead of \$7,500, reported more than \$8,700. Encouraged by this, the Societies have taken for their aim in 1900 the raising of \$9,500 for Foreign, Home and State Missions. Our motto for the year is: Increase in Faith, Knowledge and Works. To reach our aim and fulfill our motto we are urging upon all the Societies Bible study, the reading of mission books, and increase in liberality. We have every reason to believe that the close of the 19th century will see this work far in advance of what we would have dared to hope for it ten years ago.

We desire to thank those brethren who have cooperated with us in making the woman's mission work of North Carolina what it is, and would respectfully ask the aid of all interested in the furtherance of Christ's kingdom through mission efforts.

Of the forty-seven churches in your Association forty-one reported through the Central Committee the following amounts:

Oak Grove	\$3.75
Aulander	13.00
Roberts' Chapel	8.74
Mt. Tabor	38.51
Kelford	9.90
Cashie	35.05
Sunbeams, Cashie	42.91
Lewiston	13.59
Potecasi	34.34
Sunbeam Union	14.67
Hebron	10.75
Buckhorn	34.50
C. B. Institute, Murfreesboro	8.35
Sunbeams, Murfreesboro	22.13
Sunbeams, Tabor	.31
Sunbeams, Coleraine	20.44
Meheerrin	7.60
Ross	4.31
Sunbeams, Buckhorn	6.36
Sunbeams, Aulander	9.80
Elam	16.04
Holly Grove	8.56
Union	33.00
Piney Grove	1.00
Spring Branch	2.00
Lawrence's Cross-Roads	6.00
Holly Grove School House	10.80
Sunbeams, Macedonia	1.50
Sunbeams, Roanoke	6.79
Sunbeams, Elam	3.65

Amount forward 426.25

Amount forward	\$426.25
Galatia	19.60
Sandy Run	6.27
Pine Forest	10.85
Sunbeams, Meherrin	3.57
Jackson	2.06
Roanoke	1.29
Mt. Carmel	4.60
Capeheart's	3.46
Sunbeams, Roberts' Chapel	1.97
Rich Square	1.20
Republican	2.06
	485.28

Constitutions and other materials for the organization of Women's and Children's Missionary Societies will be gladly sent free on application to Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, Raleigh, N. C.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	No. of Schools.	Superintendents and Their Post-offices.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Other Papers Taken.
Ahoskie	1	W. H. Jernigan, Ahoskie	12	100		100
Aulander	1	H. W. Early, Aulander	8	125	125	150
Bethany	1	M. W. Perry, Coleraine	8	55	50	36
Bethlehem	1	R. P. Thomas, Bethlehem	16	107	240	140
Brantley's Grove	1	J. B. Modlin, Union	10	80	45	106
Buckhorn	1	G. C. Picot, Como	9	75		95
Capehart's	1	H. J. Ward, Evansville	6	54	50	40
Cashie	1	T. Gilliam, Windsor	10	125	100	100
Center Grove	1	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie	10	161		125
Chowan	1	J. F. Vann, Winton	9	75		110
Christian Harbor	1	J. W. Holomon, Harrellsville	8	66		25
Coleraine	2	G. M. Mathews, Coleraine	17	90		291
Conaritsa						
Creeksville	1	Edwin Lassiter, Creeksville	11	91		60
Flam	1	J. Hart, Garvburg	7	35		30
Galatia	1	J. W. Rose, Margarettsville	10	96	25	70
Green's Cross-Roads	1	J. H. Dempsey, Windsor	10	100		150
Harrellsville	1	C. H. Smith, Harrellsville	10	91		104
Hebron	2	G. M. Holloman, Woodland	7	57	50	50
Hillside	1	J. R. Saunders, Quitsna				
Holly Grove	1	F. E. Myers, Windsor	10	40		84
Jackson	1	F. R. Harris, Jackson	10	40	53	80
Kelford	1	W. C. Evans, Kelford	8	87		120
Lawrence's Cross-Roads	4	John M. Bratti, Merry Hill	32	200	100	125
Lewiston	1	W. J. Early, Lewiston	8	70		50
Margarettsville	1	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville	7	24	38	30
Mars Hill	1	D. W. Britton, Rosemead	8	52		120
McFerrin	1	W. S. Nelson, Murfreesboro	12	70	40	125
Mt. Carmel	1	T. J. Stephenson, Seaboard	10	88	99	252
Mt. Tabor	1	J. Bovette, Mapleton	11	93		87
Murfreesboro	1	P. S. Vann, Murfreesboro	13	90	60	275
Oak Grove	1	A. E. Saunders, Aulander	8	15		135
Pine Forest						
Potocasi	1	N. W. Britton, Woodland	12	120		140
Pleasant	1	J. W. Vaughan, Aulander	9	80		70
Republican	1	C. C. Holder, Windsor	10	87	50	80
Rich Square	1	W. E. Clifton, Rich Square	6	90		155
Roanoke	1	R. J. Burnett, Rehoboth	6	48		220
Roquist						
Roberts' Chapel	1	D. N. Stephenson, Pendleton	11	156	90	191
Ross		Worley Coward, Windsor				
Sandy Run	1	J. H. Peele, Roxobel	12	90	351	100
Seaboard	1	E. H. Johnson, Seaboard	10	60	127	48
Severn	1	J. W. Flee wood, Severn	17	106		126
St. John's	1	Richard Edwards, St. Johns	6	60		50
Union	1	A. C. Vann, Union	11	90	25	100
Winton	1	B. F. Barham				
Total	48		425	3,495	1,720	4,545

Churches.	Location and Date of Constitution.	ADDITIONS			LOSSES.			White Males.	White Females	Total Whites.	Colored.	Grand Total.
		Baptism.	Letter.	Restored.	Letter	Exclusion.	Died.					
Ahoskie	Hertford Co., 1812	22	6	1	6	1	3	113	187	300		300
Aulander	Bertie Co., 1886			8	8	5		107	160	267		267
Bethany	Bertie Co., 1881	24	4	2	6	4	2	86	94	180		180
Bethlehem	Hertford Co., 1835	14	1	3	3	2	2	99	134	233		233
Brantley's Grove	Hertford Co., 1877	23		3	3	5	3	60	87	147		147
Buckhorn	Hertford Co., 1837		1	1	5	4	3	96	105	201		201
Capehart's	Bertie Co., 1824	30	4	1	16			127	188	315		315
Cashie	Bertie Co., 1778		5		5	4	7	109	173	282	1	283
Center Grove	Bertie Co., 1897	11			4	1	3	74	77	151		151
Chowan	Hertford Co., 1835		5		5	1	1	35	44	79		79
Christian Harbor	Hertford Co., 1851	3		5	3	2	3	39	63	102		102
Coleraine	Bertie Co., 1780	12			11	2	3	109	192	301		301
Conarita	Bertie Co., 1789	33	2	1	22	6	7	137	248	385		385
Creekville	Northampton Co., 1892		1	2	1	2		47	50	97		97
Flam	Northampton Co., 1844	8	5	2		2	5	68	146	214		214
Galatia	Northampton Co., 1859	16	9	1	8	2	2	110	136	246		246
Green's Cross-Roads	Bertie Co., 1874	23	2	3	1	2	1	86	104	190		190
Hartellville	Hertford Co., 1875	13	5		5	5	2	53	75	128		128
Hebron	Northampton Co., 1856	15	8	3	6	4	4	143	154	297		297
Hillside	Bertie Co., 1885	8	1		1	2	1	29	31	60		60
Holly Grove	Bertie Co., 1804		7		2	2		48	65	113		113
Jackson	Northampton Co., 1882	13			2		1	36	52	88		88
Kelford	Bertie Co., 1898		2					24	38	62		62
Lawrence's Cross-Roads	Bertie Co., 1874	34	14	3	5	1	1	92	110	202		202
Lewiston	Bertie Co., 1883	8	11	3	8	7	2	53	91	174		174
Margarettesville	Northampton Co., 1889	6	2		4			27	27	54		54
Mais Hill	Bertie Co., 1854		5	1	12	6	2	163	174	336		336
Meherrin	Hertford Co., 1773	6	4	1	4	1	5	142	174	316		316
Mt. Carmel	Northampton Co., 1826	9	2	1	7	5	3	67	99	166		166
Mt. Tabor	Hertford Co., 1839	8	7	1	7	3	1	120	149	269		269
Murfreesboro	Hertford Co., 1842		2		3	5	1	40	54	94		94
Oak Grove	Hertford Co., 1894	15	6	1	5	1	1	44	54	98		98
Pine Forest	Northampton Co., 1888				2	2	2	21	37	58		58
Potecasi	Northampton Co., 1808	3	7	1	4	6	6	136	197	333		333
Pleasant Grove	Hertford Co., 1837	13	8	2	9	7	3	111	149	260		260
Republican	Bertie Co., 1803	20	1	4	4	1	6	134	210	344		344
Rich Square	Northampton Co., 1854	8	1	3	11	2	6	84	104	188		188
Riddick's Grove	Martin Co., 1893											
Roanoke	Northampton Co., 1885		2	1	8	1	1	48	63	111		111
Roquist	Bertie Co., 1878		7		2	1	1	43	38	81		81
Roberts' Chapel	Northampton Co., 1848	17		5	17	8	6	156	237	393		393
Ross	Bertie Co., 1804	51	8	3	5	5	5	283	404	687		687
Sandy Run	Bertie Co., 1750	17		5	3	2	3	114	148	262		262
Seaboard	Northampton Co., 1889	6	3		1	1	3	45	68	113		113
Siloam	Bertie Co., 1885											
Severn	Northampton Co., 1896	12	6		1			56	40	96		96
St. John's	Hertford Co., 1881	22	4	2	6	3	1	66	67	133		133
Union	Hertford Co., 1885	9	4		3	5	2	81	87	168		168
Winton	Hertford Co., 1873		1		10		2	88	99	187		187
Total		510	197	79	258	141	117	4,088	5,282	9,561	1	9,562

STATISTICS.

Pastors and Post-offices.	Clerks and Post-offices.	Sabbaths of Preaching.
D. Cross, Ahoskie	T. J. Vann, Ahoskie	4th.
J. Harrell, Aulander	C. W. Mitchell, Aulander	2d and 4th.
B. Barnes, Branning	G. T. Pearce, Coleraine	1st.
M. Curtis, Aulander	A. B. Adkins, Bethlehem	1st and 3d.
D. Cale, Potecasi	W. J. Cowan, Cofield	1st.
W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro	S. P. Winborne, Como	2d and 4th.
S. Pearce, Merry Hill	H. J. Ward, Evansville	2d.
John J. Douglass, Windsor	D. E. Moddin, Windsor	1st, 2d, 3d and 4th.
M. Curtis, Aulander	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie	1st.
Thomas G. Wood, Bellcross	T. D. Boone, Winton	2d and 4th.
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Churches.	Male Members.	Female Members.	CHURCH EXPENSES.						State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.
			Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses	Poor.	Minute Fund.	Repairs.	Total Church Expenses			
Ahoskie	113	187	\$175.00	---	\$10.00	\$3.00	---	\$188.00	\$28.54	\$10.00	\$33.00
Aulander	107	160	250.00	\$0.50	25.00	2.00	\$2.50	577.00	33.00	25.00	40.00
Bet any	86	94	115.00	22.06	3.17	1.66	.50	142.34	7.50	3.50	6.50
Bethlehem	99	134	300.00	27.70	52.19	2.60	---	281.89	40.00	15.00	30.00
Brantley's Grove	60	87	100.00	16.00	1.75	1.50	---	174.25	10.00	10.00	10.00
Buckhorn	96	105	325.00	18.00	---	2.00	---	345.00	40.00	12.50	25.00
Capeharts	127	188	137.00	14.00	3.24	1.50	1.17	154.74	25.00	8.00	25.00
Cashie	109	173	300.00	85.00	3.66	---	---	388.66	2.75	4.56	4.80
Center Grove	74	77	105.00	15.00	---	2.00	160.00	282.00	12.00	8.00	10.00
Chowan	35	44	350.00	44.00	13.00	1.00	---	408.00	40.00	12.50	25.00
Christian Harbor	39	63	79.40	4.20	12.64	.45	.85	97.54	6.16	3.50	6.00
Chorlain	109	192	150.00	33.80	3.02	2.00	11.35	200.17	27.50	6.00	25.00
Conaritsa	137	248	150.00	10.00	14.68	2.00	---	176.78	25.00	11.00	25.00
Creeksville	47	50	75.00	---	---	1.00	30.00	106.00	5.00	1.00	5.00
Elam	68	147	100.00	---	---	1.50	---	101.50	14.00	5.50	20.00
Galatia	110	136	126.00	11.16	5.00	1.50	---	143.66	16.00	7.00	10.50
Green's X Roads	86	104	75.00	12.29	5.16	1.00	4.50	97.95	6.00	3.50	5.00
Harrellsville	53	75	150.00	19.00	---	---	---	169.00	10.00	14.00	12.00
Hebron	143	154	140.00	45.00	25.00	2.00	5.00	214.00	20.00	6.00	15.00
Hill Side	29	31	50.00	1.00	---	.50	---	51.50	4.00	2.85	2.00
Holly Grove	48	65	100.00	10.00	2.00	1.00	40.00	155.00	10.00	4.50	10.00
Jackson	36	52	120.00	25.00	---	1.00	52.83	193.83	12.00	5.50	10.00
Kelford	24	38	150.00	8.25	---	1.00	---	159.25	10.00	15.00	10.00
Lawrence's X Roads	92	110	125.00	12.00	4.05	1.21	---	142.28	16.11	5.30	10.00
Lewiston	68	91	200.00	18.00	---	1.50	10.00	229.50	---	6.00	10.00
Margarettsville	27	77	75.00	9.74	---	.75	---	85.49	10.00	7.64	6.16
Mars Hill	162	174	150.00	10.41	---	2.50	---	162.91	32.60	20.88	57.26
Meherrin	142	174	150.00	26.55	4.12	2.50	59.98	248.15	15.00	12.00	13.00
Mt. Carmel	67	99	125.00	13.00	---	---	---	138.00	18.25	10.80	19.66
Mt. Tabor	120	149	200.00	20.00	---	1.50	5.00	226.50	44.85	25.82	21.66
Murfreesboro	40	54	250.00	51.03	---	1.50	18.17	320.70	25.36	12.50	12.50
Oak Grove	44	54	75.00	5.45	---	.50	3.21	84.16	5.00	5.00	4.00
Pine Forest	21	37	75.00	---	---	---	---	75.00	10.53	3.00	6.00
Potocasi	136	197	200.00	40.00	---	2.00	400.00	642.00	22.50	10.00	30.00
Pleasant Grove	111	149	150.00	33.00	---	1.50	183.00	367.50	20.00	15.00	20.00
Republican	134	210	150.00	21.57	---	2.50	.50	174.57	23.00	20.00	5.00
Rich Square	84	105	150.00	15.00	10.00	1.00	---	176.00	20.00	55.00	12.50
Roanoke	48	63	75.00	13.00	---	1.00	---	89.00	10.00	2.50	8.00
Rouquist	43	38	75.00	---	---	.75	37.75	113.50	5.00	5.50	5.00
Roberts' Chapel	156	237	400.00	47.27	11.90	3.00	---	462.17	71.14	23.58	51.94
Ross	283	404	200.00	43.51	12.75	2.50	6.30	265.06	15.00	10.00	20.00
Sandy Run	114	148	200.00	3.60	9.70	3.00	---	216.30	25.00	10.00	20.00
Seaboard	45	68	125.00	20.00	---	1.00	7.00	153.00	15.00	11.00	10.00
Severn	56	40	150.00	15.24	---	1.50	---	166.74	15.00	10.00	12.00
St. John's	66	67	75.00	2.00	12.50	1.00	10.00	100.50	10.00	3.00	10.00
Union	81	87	200.00	30.00	84.00	1.50	15.00	330.50	27.50	15.00	15.00
Winton	88	99	250.00	36.00	9.00	1.50	3.00	299.50	15.00	10.00	15.00
	4,105	5,533	7,427.40	861.33	262.51	68.32	392.61	9,996.09	855.29	333.73	762.04

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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Expenses.	Sunday School Missions.	Ministers' Relief Fund.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Through Sunday Schools.							Total Contributions.	Grand Total of Church Expenses and Contributions.	
					State Missions	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions	Educational.	Orphanage.	Sunday School Missions.	Other Objects.			Missionary Society.
1.96				\$16.30					\$60.00				\$165.80	\$353.80
7.00	\$4.00		\$60.00	60.00									272.00	429.00
1.25			5.00										25.75	167.91
5.25		\$5.00		45.67					46.35	\$7.02			220.29	502.18
7.98			2.00	7.20		\$ 1.50	\$ 1.50						50.18	174.83
1.34				61.22					31.39			\$24.22	252.87	597.87
1.50		2.17	11.33	5.06									84.00	238.74
1.19		.50	18.00	\$12.37	33.15	7.63	\$3.80		11.69		\$130.18		251.62	640.28
1.25			10.00										55.25	337.25
1.58	3.60	4.00	20.00	43.50	5.00				67.00	5.00			252.18	660.18
5.47		6.16	4.81	5.00									38.10	135.64
7.50		3.90	4.35	5.27					5.00				94.57	294.74
			13.08										84.08	260.86
2.00			9.00										30.50	136.50
5.00		1.00	4.35	15.50					27.00				98.35	199.85
5.45		1.50	5.25	15.00									65.70	209.36
5.05		2.00	2.00	2.00					4.00				30.55	128.50
9.07			75.00						55.00				194.07	363.07
5.00		4.00	20.69	4.42					5.00			17.50	97.61	311.61
			1.15	4.00									14.00	65.50
2.84			2.05			2.50	2.50		3.50				47.89	200.89
4.00				7.26					21.50		10.00		92.26	286.09
3.50			2.00						17.00				70.00	220.25
0.50		2.00	7.26	19.84					5.60				78.11	220.39
9.20			10.00	2.00					2.00				33.00	262.50
4.97			5.00	23.55					1.38				64.43	149.92
4.47		3.27	53.50	14.20	1.73	2.34	2.58		18.11		7.00		213.62	575.53
4.50		1.00	9.95	3.00		3.15	3.15		4.00	3.20	3.00		88.95	337.10
0.46		5.00	2.25	10.25		1.55	1.55		1.50				26.27	224.42
2.00	5.00		51.00						12.74				175.57	224.42
2.09			21.40	89.83	7.58	8.64	8.65		19.05				245.20	565.90
9.00			4.00	1.00									30.00	114.06
													10.53	94.53
5.48			8.00						14.72			49.69	160.39	742.39
8.50				25.00					30.00				138.50	500.00
9.49		3.48		11.00		1.00			4.47				77.44	252.01
5.00													37.00	213.00
4.74													17.24	106.24
			1.00										16.50	130.00
7.00			6.00	86.61					61.23	2.18			184.68	646.85
			8.55	1.33									62.98	328.04
7.90			10.00						10.00				97.90	314.20
20.00				35.00					30.00			9.00	135.00	288.00
20.00		5.00		98.00		11.68	11.68		19.29	3.00			212.65	379.39
3.23			5.50										31.73	132.23
6.80			5.00	44.00					50.00	2.30		26.00	201.61	532.16
			11.23										61.23	360.73
33.04	12.60	49.98	428.70	758.01	26.68	95.51	39.24	3.80	578.52	22.68	150.18	126.41	5,127.15	14,412.69

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HELD WITH THE

Baptist Church at Capeharts, Bertie County, N. C.,

October 29, 30 and 31,

1901.

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CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP.

ART. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: *Provided*, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECT.

ART. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

ART. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but can not bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

ART. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice; or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements; or upon application of a church for dismission.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

ART. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

ART. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality. (2) The names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post-offices. (3) The Sabbaths of regular service. (4) The church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female. (5) Sabbath School statistics. (6) Amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund. (7) Names of delegates and alternates. (8) Any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

ART. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order; and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

ART. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

ART. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

ART. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

ART. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the Minutes an historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

ART. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. Adopted 1898.

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.
2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.
3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.
4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.
5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.
7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.
8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.
9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

- 11 a. m.—Introductory sermon.
 12 m.—Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
 12:30 p. m.—Recess.
 2 p. m.—Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize. Read Constitution. Call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session. Receive new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint committees.
 3 p. m.—Report on Temperance.
 3:30 p. m.—Report on Periodicals.
 4 p. m.—Assignment of Homes. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

- 9:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises.
 10 a. m.—Routine business.
 10:15 a. m.—Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.
 11 a. m.—Report on Education.
 11:45 a. m.—Report on State Missions.
 12:30 p. m.—Recess.
 2 p. m.—Convene. Routine business.
 2:10 p. m.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
 2:30 p. m.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.
 3:15 p. m.—Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

- 9:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises.
 10 a. m.—Convene. Routine business.
 10:15 a. m.—Report on Home Missions.
 11 a. m.—Report on Church Statistics.
 11:15 a. m.—Report of committees. Miscellaneous business. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

Tuesday, October 29, 1901.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met this day in its nineteenth annual session with the Baptist Church at Capehart, Bertie County.

The introductory sermon was preached by G. P. Harrill, from Hebrews 4:6.

After the sermon the Moderator, C. W. Mitchell, called the Association to order and read a passage of Scripture, after which T. G. Wood led the Association in prayer.

On behalf of Capehart Church, J. C. Mizell made an address of welcome, to which J. C. Scarborough responded.

The Moderator appointed the following Committee on Credentials: R. P. Thomas, E. C. Allen, C. L. L. Cobb, D. E. Modlin, A. C. Vann.

The Clerk then called the roll of churches and the delegates were enrolled as follows:

Ahoskee—W. H. Miller, T. J. Vann, *W. H. Jernigan.
Aulander—C. W. Mitchell, A. W. Earley, J. E. Long.
Bethlehem—R. P. Thomas, A. Bass, A. B. Adkins.
Bethany—G. W. Outlaw, Wright Evans.
Brantley's Grove—W. J. Cowan, Paul D. Parker.
Buckhorn—R. J. Taylor, *R. A. Majette, J. W. Railey.
Capehart—J. C. Mizell, G. W. Cobb, Franklin P. Britt.
Cashie—W. R. Cobb, D. E. Modlin, J. H. White.
Center Grove—J. R. Mathews, C. S. Godwin, J. D. Jenkins.
Chowan—W. P. Taylor, *T. D. Boone.
Christian Harbor—*J. W. Holloman, W. P. Lassiter, J. C. Miller.
Coleraine—W. B. Felton, *J. P. Deans, H. E. Wilson.
Conaritsa—Josiah Earley, L. J. Taylor, John Cowan.
Creekville—E. C. Allen, L. E. Davis.
Elam—*B. L. Sykes, *J. R. Stephenson.
Galatia—*J. W. Rose, *Ira B. Davis, *B. A. Barnes.
Green's Cross-Roads—W. H. Mizell, W. J. Mizell, *Miles Mizell.
Harrellsville—J. M. Powell, W. E. Miller, J. T. Williams.
Hebron—D. Cale, *J. P. Griffin, *Solomon Parker.
Hillside—J. F. Whedby, E. D. Spruill.
Holly Grove—F. E. Myers, *J. H. Bowen.
Jackson—*B. F. Davis, *W. F. Spencer.
Kelford—C. L. L. Cobb, *M. W. Harrell.
Lawrence's Cross-Roads—J. M. Williams, J. R. Phelps, J. M. Britt.
Lewiston—W. J. Earley, Lewis Garriss, James Hughs.
Margarettsville—*I. P. Parker, *Ernest Erickson.
Mars Hills—H. A. Lee, W. R. Raynor, L. P. Freeman, G. H. Powell.
Meherrin—*B. F. Livermon, J. T. Britt, Samuel Livermon.
Mt. Carmel—*J. G. Joyner, H. T. Boyd, *John Rochelle.
Mt. Tabor—W. A. Futrell, C. W. Stephenson, *E. Curl.
Murfreesboro—*K. S. Deloach, J. C. Scarborough.
Oak Grove—*S. E. Marsh, *Joseph S. Holloman.
Pine Forest—*W. H. Camp, *J. R. Carstarphen.
Potecasi—N. W. Britton, A. E. Peele, F. W. Bridgers.
Pleasant Grove—M. S. Taylor, A. P. Joyner, E. T. Daughtery.
Republican—G. W. White, *J. R. Cherry, J. H. Burden, C. J. Joyner.
Rich Square—*J. P. Holloman, *J. P. Lassiter, *J. T. Bolton.
Riddick's Grove—J. H. Riddick, *S. M. Williams.
Roanoke—*R. J. Bennett, *L. J. Holloman.

Roberts' Chapel—Mc. M. Long, *J. F. Martin, John Barnes.
 Roquist—*J. A. Johnson, J. M. Yates.
 Ross—W. D. White, Giles P. Mizell, J. H. Lawrence, A. J. White.
 Sandy Run—W. J. Watson, Pulaski Tyler, *G. H. Barnes.
 Seaboard—*J. R. Crocker, *J. D. Pope.
 Siloam—G. D. Leggett, C. B. Speller.
 Severn—*J. J. White, *R. D. Gray.
 St. John's—W. P. Howard, R. J. Askew, J. D. Early.
 Union—J. A. Copeland, A. C. Vann.
 Winton—T. L. Lassiter, *J. A. Downs, J. S. Mitchell.

*Absent.

The Association adjourned until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order and J. H. Rich led in prayer.

The Committee on Credentials made the following report:

REPORT.

Your committee report, from the best information we can obtain, that all the churches composing the Association are in accord with the Constitution, except Seaboard and Jackson.

The aforesaid churches retain members who are engaged as Commissioners in dispensaries, but as this is a new phase of the temperance question, your committee recommends that the Association, instead of cutting off at once, seat their delegates and give said churches at least twelve months time; and that this question be discussed either at the Association, or at our union meetings, and during the next twelve months inform the churches exactly how the Association stands upon this question.

R. P. THOMAS,
For Committee.

On motion, R. D. Cross and D. Cale were appointed to inform Jackson and Seaboard churches of the action of the Association in regard to the above report.

The Association then proceeded to elect officers for the present year, which resulted as follows: C. W. Mitchell, Moderator; J. T. Williams, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; J. M. Powell, Treasurer; E. J. Harrell, Historian.

The Constitution and Rules of Order were read.

The Moderator invited visiting brethren to seats in the Association. The following visitors responded: S. F. Conrad, editor of the *North Carolina Baptist*, and J. H. Rich.

At this point a letter from T. C. Britton, Missionary at Soochow, China, was read by C. W. Scarborough. On motion, it was ordered that the letter be incorporated in the Minutes of the Association, and that C. W. Scarborough be appointed to convey Christian greetings to T. C. Britton and family.

The report on Temperance was presented by G. P. Harrill.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We learn from God's Word that "Wine is a mocker," and that drunkards shall not inherit the kingdom of God. We recognize drunkenness as a giant evil of our country. Your committee, therefore, advise that the churches of the Association hold the high ground they have already taken on the temperance question, and strive, by all possible means, to reach the higher level, where all church members will be total abstainers from intoxicating liquors for Christ's sake.

G. P. HARRILL,
Committee.

The report was discussed by S. F. Conrad and J. O. Alderman, and was adopted.

The Moderator appointed, as Committee on Religious Exercises, the pastor and deacons of Capehart Church.

The Finance Committee were appointed as follows: W. P. Taylor, Mc. M. Long and W. B. Felton.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for the next session of the Association, were W. R. Raynor, John Britt and Josiah Earley.

The Committee on Church Statistics were W. R. Raynor, J. T. Williams.

The report on Periodicals was read by D. Cale:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee have long since been convinced of the fact that there is nothing more helpful, or more elevating to a people than the reading of good literature; and we know of nothing more damaging, or more hurtful to a people than the reading of corrupt literature.

We believe that our editors, through the press, are a very potent factor in making the people what they are. This being true, we earnestly insist that our brethren do all they can towards placing good literature in reach of our people.

We recommend, first of all, the *Biblical Recorder*, because we believe there is no other organ in the State that can take its place. We recommend also, the *Foreign Mission Journal*, *Charity and Children*, and the *Home Field*. We do not recommend these because of the names they bear, but because of the valuable information they bring to us.

D. CALE,
J. W. TAYLOR,
G. H. BROWN.

The report was discussed by J. A. Speight, T. T. Speight, D. Cale, C. W. Scarborough, J. C. Scarborough, S. F. Conrad and Thos. G. Wood. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Hospitality made its report and the delegates of the churches were assigned homes.

The Association adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by L. M. Curtis.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

At the appointed time, the Moderator called the Association to order. Prayer was offered by J. A. Speight.

The committee appointed at the last session of the Association to

prepare an Order of Business, reported unprepared; and the Association, deeming the Order of Business now in use good enough, discharged the committee.

It was moved and carried that the Devotional Exercises of to-morrow morning be utilized in memory of Elder J. C. Fleetwood, of whose death the Association has just heard.

The time for considering the report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute having arrived, the reading of the report was deferred, and J. C. Scarborough spoke on the work of the Institute, after which T. G. Wood read the report.

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The Chowan Baptist Female Institute was founded in the year 1848.

The Baptists of Eastern North Carolina and Virginia saw the pressing need of a school with all the appliances for the liberal education of women. They saw further into the future than was then given to many to see, and had such insight into the progress of the future as to enable them to know that women were to exert a mighty power for good in the churches and in active efforts to extend the knowledge of our Redeemer's kingdom, both at home and in the regions beyond. They believed that, to get the best work from a consecrated womanhood, that womanhood should be trained and thoroughly equipped in mind and heart. Believing this, they acted upon their convictions and erected a beautiful and commodious four-story brick building, and furnished it with an elegance and liberality which enabled it at once to take rank with the best schools in the South.

The *future* to them has become the *present* to those now interested in Christian education; and the necessities, as they saw them, have become enlarged and intensified as they force themselves upon our attention. Will we give heed to these necessities, ever present and ever to be present with us? We see now how they were stirred then by a sense of duty and the needs pressing on them. If we will give heed to the signs of the times and the trend of educational affairs now, we will realize greater needs pressing on us and greater dangers ahead of us than our fathers saw if we bestir not ourselves to avert them as they bestirred themselves more than half a century ago to avert the dangers which they saw.

Christian men and women properly equipped are very important appliances for the equipment of Christian schools. These have not been wanting in the equipment of Chowan Baptist Female Institute. Those placed in charge of it in the beginning of its history, and in the subsequent years of its busy and maturer life, were well equipped for the work set before them to be done. Their work is known and read of all men, and its influence for Christ and humanity will never cease. It is now in its fifty-fourth year's work. About four hundred young women, in these years, have gone out with its diplomas, to be lights and workers in churches, homes and schools in North Carolina and other States, and as missionaries for Christ in the regions beyond. It has, at the same time, contributed to the education and Christian training of a much larger number, who attended its sessions, but did not complete its course of study, and sent them out better equipped for work and, with the Spirit of Christ in them, serving His cause in home and church and school.

Is the work of the Institute ended? It is not. There is the same need for it now, and a greater need, than there was when it began its work. The need for it and its work, is not a subject of argument. It is so plain that those who run may read.

There is but one wise course for the Baptist people of this and of the Chowan Association, in reference to the Institute. Its past is a glorious record of work well done and greatly blessed. Its future is for our people in this section to determine. We ought to stand by it with our patronage and contribute liberally to it with our means for its proper equipment and support. To fail in these two duties of contributing patronage and money is to make a mistake, which will tell in evil results to us and those who are to follow us as workers for Christ and humanity.

Its present outlook is much better than it has been since the beginning of the present administration. We have a larger number of boarding pupils now in the school than we have had in the opening for the past five sessions.

We have done considerable repairing since the close of the spring term the present year. Other and extensive repairs and additions are urgently needed. We need to put water in the building for its safety and the greater convenience and health of the pupils. We are now engaged in putting water on each floor by a process which is on perfectly sound principles and will succeed at comparatively small cost, not to exceed \$160.00.

We need apparatus and equipments as the sessions come and go, and improved methods and helps for instruction as are put in other schools, to enable us to do our work properly and to hold the patronage, which rightfully belongs to us. We must have these or suffer the consequences.

The Institute is supplied with a full faculty of well trained and competent teachers, and all of these active members of Baptist churches, and in full sympathy with Baptist views and principles.

Your committee desires to lay the Institute on the hearts and consciences of the Baptists of this Association. We can make the school what we wish it to be by taking it on our hearts, praying for its prosperity and broad Christian usefulness. We can give it prosperity, full and ample, and the broadest usefulness, by giving it our sympathies and sending to it our daughters to be educated.

Respectfully submitted,

T. G. Woon.

Without further discussion the report was adopted.

On motion by R. D. Cross, the matter of management of the Chowan Baptist Female Institute was left entirely to the Board of Trustees.

The Moderator again extended an invitation to visitors. Among those present to respond were: Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board; J. W. Bailey, editor of the *Biblical Recorder*; John Mitchell and T. N. Johnson.

The report on Education was presented by J. C. Mizell.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

When Prof. W. R. Cullom, of Wake Forest, was made Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education, about four months ago, there was a little indebtedness on it. But this has been paid and the first month's expenses of the present session have been met. There is possibly enough in the Convention Treasury to pay the expenses of the board for the present month, bringing us to November 1st. There are now thirty-nine men receiving aid from the board. This alone means an expense of \$351.00 per month. Taking them altogether, they are a most promising body of young men, and making rapid progress in their work.

A candid view of our history as a people will show that no money spent by the denomination has done more to bring us Baptists to our present position than that spent through the Board of Education; and a glance at the conditions that confront us as a denomination in North Carolina will show that beyond doubt there was never a greater need for trained leaders among our people. With this before us, the Board of Education earnestly appeals to you for thoughtful, prayerful and active co-operation in the work of responding to the Lord's own call to send out laborers into His harvest. Let us pay heed to Paul's questions in the tenth chapter of Romans: "How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent?" We may ask, who is worthy to be sent? The answer naturally suggests itself to us. "The well trained man." How then can God's chosen poor be trained unless we rally to the support of the board? There has been made a loud call from the seashore to the Tennessee line for education. Shall this call die like the voice of one in despair?

O, brethren and sisters, let us emphasize what another said two weeks ago: "Our principles demand of us a live educational policy; our fathers have left their record of loyalty to these principles. We are making our record to-day. This very year will test the loyalty of more Baptists in North Carolina to these principles than ever before. What shall our record be? If chapter 1901 is to be a glory and not a shame, young and old, rich and poor, those who themselves have had the privileges of the schools and those who have not, must give liberally and give quickly."

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. MIZELL,
For Committee.

J. C. Mizell and John Mitchell spoke on the report, and it was adopted. The roll of churches was called and pledges were made for next year, which pledges appear in another place.

The time having arrived for the report on State Missions, J. C. Scarborough read the report.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

A few years ago the better informed brethren and sisters of our churches began to think that the work of State Missions would be rounded up and finished when the territory covered by the Tar River and Atlantic Associations, and some territory extending along east of the Blue Ridge, in some of our Piedmont counties, should be filled with a sufficient number of well prepared preachers and dotted with a sufficient number of Baptist churches. But these have been disillusioned in part by the rapid changes effected by the development of certain industries in our State, and, in part, by the conditions found to exist in our mountain counties beyond the Blue Ridge and in some on this side the Ridge.

North Carolina for some time subsequent to the close of the war between the States, took care of her own mission fields without aid from the Home Mission Board, which it had received previous to that time. We find ourselves now compelled, as we think, to call upon the Home Mission Board for help to hold our own. This results from two main causes. The first is the development of our cotton factory industry far beyond any precedent in our State, or in any other State. Just a few years ago North Carolina stood down

towards the bottom of the list of States in the number and extent of her cotton factories; now she stands second on the list in number, and soon she is to stand at the head in both number and value of her cotton factories.

These factories have brought, and are to bring, a very large increase of population by immigrants into the State, looking for employment. Those who come from other States and other nations foreign to us and to our institutions, and strangers to our customs and religion, must be met by the preacher and the churches with the Bible in hand and love in the heart. We must support the preachers and the churches in their efforts to meet the coming thousands, or they will not be met by Baptists with Bible in hand and love in the heart to present Baptist views of Scripture teaching and the true foundation of a Christian's hope, repentance and personal, individual, faith and trust in Christ for salvation through His blood.

Another cause for necessity for aid from our Home Mission Board is the undeveloped condition of the great body of the Baptist churches in the western or mountainous portion of our State. These churches are totally unable in their present condition to take care of the thousands who annually are going to this section and will continue to go. These churches are constituent members of our Baptist State Convention, and this work with the work for the factory population is on us and brings with it great responsibility to churches and individuals.

Ought we, can we, call for help from outside until we shall do our part? All we can do to meet the demands and give the gospel to those of our native population who have it not, and to those coming to us by thousands and hundreds of thousands, now and in the near future, who have never heard it as we believe it, and who have no saving knowledge of Christ. We have enlarged our State Mission contributions in the past two years considerably. We ought to enlarge them still more in a general effort to meet the responsibility placed on us by our Lord in His dealings with us.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH.

The report was discussed by J. C. Scarborough and Livingston Johnson, and was adopted. A cash collection was taken for State Missions, amounting to \$16.16. Pledges for next year were made, as will be seen elsewhere, for State Missions.

The Association adjourned for recess. Prayer by L. Johnson.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association convened about 2 o'clock. Prayer by T. N. Johnson.

On motion, a letter of dismission was granted Riddick's Grove Church to join the Tar River Association.

J. H. Rich spoke on the needs of his work at Belhaven. It was moved and carried that the pastors and delegates try to get a collection from their respective churches and forward the same to Asa Mann, Belhaven, N. C., for the Belhaven work.

It now being time for the report on Ministers' Relief, the reading of the report was deferred in order that Editor J. W. Bailey may have an opportunity to speak on the Century Movement.

The following standing committees were appointed:

State Missions—J. S. Mitchell, A. E. Peele, A. Bass.

Education—J. C. Scarborough, J. H. Bowen, W. C. Cobb.

Baptist Orphanage—T. T. Speight, G. W. Outlaw, F. E. Myers.

Ministers' Relief—R. P. Thomas, J. M. Williams, J. G. Joyner.

Periodicals—T. G. Wood, R. J. Taylor, A. W. Earley.

C. B. F. Institute—J. T. Williams, H. A. Lee, G. W. White.

Home Missions—R. D. Cross, B. F. Davis, J. R. Cherry.

Foreign Missions—W. P. Jordan, J. T. Britt, J. H. Lawrence.

Church Statistics—T. D. Boone, A. C. Vann, C. W. Stephenson.

Temperance—J. O. Alderman, J. R. Mathews, W. P. Howard.

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered J. W. Bailey for his admirable address on the Century Movement.

The Committee on Foreign Missions made the following report:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The century just closed saw the beginning of modern missions. One hundred years ago, our fathers heard the call of the Master, "Go ye," etc., and began to heed. Upon these labors of our fathers, God has set His seal of approval. Not only does God command us to go, but by the results of missionary effort has demonstrated that He will verify His promise, "Lo, I am with you always," etc.

The world, one hundred years ago, was closed to Christian effort, but to-day open doors everywhere invite us to Christian activity. Instead of a solitary man laboring in India one hundred years ago, to-day all the leading denominations are actively prosecuting missionary work.

The Southern Baptist Convention alone has more than a hundred missionaries on the foreign fields. Last year they baptized more than one thousand souls, being nearly fifteen baptisms to every one hundred church members, while in our home association the rate was only five and one-third baptisms to every one hundred church members.

In China last year the "Boxer" movement brought to our hearts anxiety and fear, lest our missionary operations should be seriously crippled, if not ruined. But God has overruled it for good. Missionary labors in China are to-day held in higher esteem than ever before. Thousands of native Christians have suffered martyrdom rather than recant. This martyrdom has shown to the world, and especially to China, that there is power in the religion of our Christ. Already the Missionaries are back on their fields of labor, and the remaining unmurdered Christians have gathered together and taken up the work anew.

Encouraging reports and reported baptisms from the fields bring us the glad testimony that God still blesses.

Let us, with faith and new zeal, prosecute foreign missions during this new century.

D. E. MODLIN,
For Committee.

L. Johnson, J. C. Scarborough and J. O. Alderman discussed the report. The roll of churches was called and pledges made for next year. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for the next session of the Association made the following report:

The next session of the Association will meet with the church at Conaritsa, Bertie County, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, after the fourth Sunday in October, 1902. To preach the introductory sermon, D. Cale; alternate, J. O. Aldermen.

W. R. RAYNOR,
J. T. BRITT,
JOSIAH EARLEY,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

The Association then adjourned. Prayer by G. P. Harrill.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order, and, in the absence of the Moderator, Dr. R. P. Thomas was elected Moderator *pro tem*. T. N. Johnson led the Association in prayer.

On motion of G. P. Harrill, T. N. Johnson was given an opportunity to speak on the Sunday School Work.

This being the time for the report on Ministers' Relief, W. B. Felton read the following:

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF FUND.

Christians are distinctly charged by the Scriptures in the words of Christ to give aid to the poor. He speaks of those who help the poor, the afflicted or unfortunate as helping Him.

This is one great incentive to do good. In the early Church the poor were so well looked after that they all had things in common. It is undoubtedly the duty of one follower of Christ who has possessions to share them with a follower who, through no fault of his own, has none.

This is true no less, surely, of our ministers. They are poor—if they are poor at all—usually because they have given their time and attention to looking after the Lord's work—the welfare of human souls.

They are not paid more than living salaries. If they do secular work they are complained at, and their influence and efficiency suffers. They are expected to live fairly and to set an example both in giving and in educating their children.

What wonder then that old age now and then falls upon one who is unprepared for it? What wonder that sickness lays its hand upon one when he is not ready? What wonder then that death strikes the head of a preacher's home sometimes, when he is not prepared to leave it?

The wonder is that we have so few indigent preachers or helpless widows of preachers.

To think that with six hundred active preachers in our convention, we have only nineteen or twenty beneficiaries depending upon us for help.

Surely we should see to it that these lack nothing.

The board that looks after this object is located in Durham, N. C. Rev. J. F. MacDuffie is Secretary.

It has no field representative, and very small expense. It is ably managed by brethren at Durham. It uses two-thirds that is contributed to aid the beneficiaries directly; the other third is put into a permanent fund, which now amounts to \$2,624.00. At some future day this fund may be used for building a home for aged and infirm preachers.

The contributions each year average about \$1,200.00. Every church is urged to contribute.

D. W. BRITTON,
For Committee.

The report was adopted.

At this point, J. A. Speight presented the report on the Baptist Orphanage.

REPORT.

The establishing of this home for destitute children at Thomasville was an experiment, but the Lord was in it, and now no object

coming before us enlists more interest or prayer, or sympathy, or money, than the praiseworthy work of sheltering and clothing and feeding the little ones, who, but for an agency of this kind, would be thrown helpless and largely friendless upon the charities of a cold and almost heartless world. At this time there are over two hundred children in this home, and your committee would request that our churches and the public be urged to enlarge their plans for the enlargement and support of this praiseworthy work. We also request that all our Sunday Schools take a collection once per month for this object.

J. A. SPEIGHT.
W. H. MILLER,
E. WHITE,
Committee.

The report was discussed by J. C. Scarborough, C. W. Scarborough, T. T. Speight, G. P. Harrill, J. A. Speight, T. G. Wood and L. M. Curtis. The report was adopted. On motion, a cash collection was taken for the Orphanage, which amounted to \$12.49.

J. C. Caddell was recognized and invited to a seat in the Association.

C. W. Scarborough read the report on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

This board of our Southern Baptist Convention deserves the entire confidence, the intelligent interest, and the liberal support of every individual Baptist, and of every organized body of our Baptist people. This board was created in 1845; created by the Baptists of the South, to give the gospel to the unsaved for our own people, as well as to the Indian, the Negro, and the foreigner, sojourning with us. It is not a master that wants to rule us, but a most obedient servant. The service it has rendered may be seen by taking ten years of its work, say from 1892 to 1901, inclusive. In that period its Missionaries have baptized 54,760; received by letter, 57,127, making the total additions to the churches, 111,887. Constituted 1,645 churches, only 23 less than are now in North Carolina. This is an average of 164 churches per year, with an average membership of 324. They have baptized 105 per week, and added by letter 109 per week. They have not only brought the lost to Christ for salvation, but found the 57,127 straggling Christian soldiers, brought them back into line and hurled them against the forces of evil.

This board is the co-operative board of our Convention. It has been the helper of State organizations struggling under burdens they could not carry alone. This has been especially true of North Carolina. Till recently North Carolina has done nothing, comparatively, but farm, but now it is the second State in the United States in the number of manufactories of cloth goods; it is also a mining State of no mean proportions. These interests have flooded the central and western parts of our State with a population, and brought about conditions which we can not neglect. Our mountain section is now regarded as one of the richest on the face of the globe. In this section are 300,000 people, and of these 75,000 are Baptists; but uneducated and untrained. So important is this section that Northern Presbyterians are spending \$70,000 per year to educate them, all with the view of making Presbyterians of them. To help North Carolina Baptists in this work, and with our large and increasing factory population, and with the great destitution known to exist in our

eastern and southeastern sections, this same Home Board gave last year \$5,705. This amount is nearly one-third as much as our State Mission Board spent last year. No other State in our Convention, except Texas, received as much.

Nor must we forget Louisiana with the great city of New Orleans, having a population of 275,000, and only one self-supporting Baptist Church; nor Tennessee, with its mountain problem, and its city problem; nor Texas, one-fourth as large as our whole S. B. Convention, and one-third of its territory still a frontier mission field. The large results of this co-operative work in Texas shows its wisdom. Twenty years ago the whole State of Texas supported *one* Missionary, and with two years of this help given by the Home Board, Texas spent \$12,000 on her own Missionaries.

The frontier work of the Home Board embraces about one-third of Texas, the Indian Territory and Oklahoma—a strip of land 1,000 miles long and 500 miles wide. Our former Secretary of Home Missions (now passed into the skies), says of Oklahoma: "Thirteen years ago there was not a white resident in the Territory; the government threw open the Territory for settlement. Tens of thousands of men were permitted at a given signal to dash across the line on horse-back, in a mad race for a quarter section of land, upon which they might drive a stake and claim a homestead. In a day the Territory had a population of perhaps 40,000 to 50,000. The census taken in 1890 showed a population of 40,000; that of 1900 a population of 400,000. The land is as fine as any farming land in any country. The Territory is fast becoming gridironed with railroads. It is no longer a wilderness; it seems more like a nation born in a day. And yet, in all this Territory, there is thus far hardly a self-supporting Baptist Church." Well may he add: "It is more than folly, it is sheer madness, for the S. B. Convention to neglect to possess and to mould this land while it is still in its formative period."

Difficulties there are, many and formidable; but the day will never come when we can do the Lord's work without friction and opposition at some point, and for us, as for Paul, these things lie around great and effectual doors. In the face of much that opposes, we must hear and heed God's voice, "Quit you like men."

We can but mention the fact that 42 per cent of our population in the South—the Negroes—are a peculiar people, and their claims upon us are peculiarly strong—so strong that nothing but an honest and persistent effort to give them the pure gospel can excuse us.

Foreign population: In many of our cities and towns every third man is a foreigner. He is here to stay. He has brought with him foreign ideas, and customs antagonistic, both to our government and to our Bible. We must help these men with the gospel, or they will sink us. We read in Acts 2, that on the day of Pentecost, when all things were ready for the great outpouring of the Holy Spirit, there were dwelling in Jerusalem devout men out of every nation under heaven. These all heard the gospel in a tongue they could understand. It is safe to say that every one of them who was really saved became immediately interested in the salvation of his own home people. What a picture is this of the conditions in our own land! What nationality is there under heaven that has not its dwellers in the United States? And if God's people are faithful to these foreigners among us, they will not only bring to them the salvation which is ours, but they will be putting in motion forces that will make themselves felt to the uttermost parts of the earth."

Your committee can only mention Cuba to say: Blessed be our

God for the work He has enabled us to do there in the past, and to pray for the blessings of His Spirit on what we are now doing there.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH,
H. E. WILSON,
W. C. EVANS,
Committee.

The report was discussed by J. C. Caddell and C. W. Scarborough. The roll of churches was called and pledges made for next year. The report was adopted.

The report on Church Statistics was read and adopted.

REPORT ON CHURCH STATISTICS.

During the last associational year 339 members have been received by baptism, 203 by letter, and 64 by restoration. There were lost by letter 233, by exclusion 145, by death 127. All the churches have pastors. One church, Riddick's Grove, reports nothing for State Missions. All the churches represented report something for Home Missions. Twelve churches report nothing for education. Four churches report nothing for the Orphanage. Thirty churches report nothing for Ministers' Relief. All the churches report for Benevolence \$4,841.59, a gain over the amount reported by the committee last year of \$861.96.

W. R. RAYNOR,
J. T. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

The Treasurer made the following report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received of Finance Committee in the year 1900:

For State Missions	\$176.88
For Foreign Missions	164.99
For Home Missions	88.13
For Ministers' Relief	2.00
For Orphanage	24.45
For Education	42.50
For Minute Fund	68.20
Total	\$567.15

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid J. E. White for State Missions	\$176.88
Paid J. E. White for Foreign Missions	164.99
Paid J. E. White for Home Missions	88.13
Paid J. E. White for Ministers' Relief	2.00
Paid J. B. Boone for Orphanage	24.45
Paid John Mitchell for Education	42.50
Paid Edwards & Broughton for Minutes	43.04
Paid N. W. Britton for services as Clerk	25.00
Balance in hand	16
	\$567.15

J. M. POWELL,
Treasurer.

The report was adopted.

The committee appointed last year to prepare a church letter, reported that they had had 250 church letters printed. The letter

was, in a large measure, satisfactory, but not being entirely so, the committee was continued to perfect its work. T. G. Wood, W. P. Taylor and J. A. Speight are the committee.

On motion, N. W. Britton was appointed as Associational Delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention; E. J. Harrell, Alternate.

C. W. Mitchell, R. P. Thomas, Dancy Cale, were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

On motion, C. W. Scarborough was re-elected a member of the State Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.

On motion, John Mitchell was requested to write a memorial of the life of Elder J. C. Fleetwood.

On motion of C. L. L. Cobb, the following resolution was adopted: "That this Association hereby express its gratitude to this church and its friends for the splendid entertainment we have received during this session."

It was moved and carried that L. M. Curtis, A. T. Liverman, and the pastor of Sandy Run Church be appointed a committee to arrange for a suitable monument to the memory of Elder William Burket.

The committee made the following

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We have received in cash from the churches the following amounts and for the following objects:

Foreign Missions	\$141.45
State Missions	167.97
Home Missions	81.62
Education	25.20
Baptist Orphanage	8.50
Ministers' Relief	4.42

Total\$429.16

W. P. TAYLOR,
MC. M. LONG,
W. B. FELTON,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

The Association adjourned, with prayer by R. D. Cross.

C. W. MITCHELL,
Moderator.

N. W. BRITTON,
Clerk.

T. C. BRITTON'S LETTER.

Soochow, China, September 26, 1901.

To the West Chowan Association, Assembled at Capehart Church.

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS:—It is always a joy to us to hear about you and your faithful work for the Master, for we still feel like we are a part of you. So I take the privilege of sending you a word for this session of your body. May the Lord be with and direct you in all your proceedings, and may He be with all your churches and bless you abundantly in all your labor of love.

You have heard much about the sad condition of this empire for the last year and a half. While many scores of Missionaries and thousands of native Christians were brutally murdered in other parts of the country, especially in the North, there was, in God's good

providence, no violence done here in Soochow. There was a great deal of threatening to kill the Christians, and the Missionaries were reported as having been slain. The officials here were very strict all the time, beheading anyone who dared to create serious disturbance. Twenty-six persons were thus executed in one day and their heads hung up at the different gates of the city for a warning. When I was back in Soochow early in October of last year, everything seemed about as usual.

After long discussing the matter, the Chinese government has lately agreed to the demands of the foreign Ministers for reparation, and are certainly carrying out some of them. You have heard of the mission of Prince Chun, the brother of the Emperor, to Germany, to apologize to the German Emperor for the murder of the German Minister in the summer of last year. Na Tung has also been sent to Japan by the Emperor to apologize for the death of the Chancellor connected with the Japanese Legation at Peking during the same disturbances. But the latest news from an official source in the North is that the Court, including the Emperor of course, has definitely decided not to return to Peking within two years, and things are naturally very much unsettled while he is away from his capital. So we scarcely know yet what to expect.

In the meantime we are trying to do the best we well can for the people by preaching to them the kingdom of God and teaching the things concerning the Lord Jesus Christ, whether our stay among them shall be long or short.

While it was thought unwise to take my family to Soochow last fall, I made three trips to the work here, remaining the last time so as just to get to them in Shanghai on Christmas morning. We all came back home January 10th, and began our regular work of preaching and teaching. I am thankful to say that everything has been quiet ever since.

We had a native co-worker to join us the first of April, and he and I have gone together in the work nearly all the time. Beginning in the spring, we went to the large suburb outside one of the city gates about three times a week until the weather became so hot that the people would not stand on the street to hear. We usually had three services each morning out there and both of us spoke at each service. After that line of work was closed for the season, I went to the country for some time, where shady places could be found to gather the people for preaching. Several of the brethren (native) went with me on some of these trips, while the native preacher, with Mrs. Britton's help, kept up the chapel services at home. We have four regular services in the chapel for the heathen each week, besides the classes for women and children of Mrs. Britton and myself, and one sermon on Sunday afternoon. Of course, we have our Sunday School and church services, and week-day prayer meeting, and weekly Bible class. There was also a protracted meeting held this summer three weeks, during which we had preaching daily afternoon and night. Then we had two weeks of daily Bible study, specially for the church members. There have been four men added to our church this year by baptism, for which we hope you will join us in thanks to God, and prayer that they may be kept by His power unto perfect salvation.

Thus, by teaching the Christians, telling the good news and persuading men in our home, in the chapel, in the suburbs, on the streets, in the country and by the way, and by teaching the women and children, we are trying to extend the reign of the Master. But oh, whichever way we turn, we are so impressed with the vast mul-

titudes that are as sheep without a shepherd! Do pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into His harvest, and do all you can to encourage the board to send us a family this fall.

Our little Roswell was sick in August, and we were away two weeks in Shanghai for a change and to attend to some business. But we are all four back, about well, and into the regular routine of our work again, I am thankful to be able to say.

Brethren, pray for us. Our greetings to the entire brotherhood.

Your brother in Christ,

T. C. BRITTON.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

What means this throng of dusty pilgrims gathering at Capehart Church Tuesday, October 28, 1901? The West Chowan Association, coming to hold the nineteenth session with this historic old church!

Capehart was organized seventy-seven years ago with seventy-four members, gathered from Cashie and Wiccacon.

Through these years her growth has been marked in many respects. The ardent toils of her faithful pastors and loyal people have not been without reward.

Nine preachers have been licensed by this Church, while she now has a membership of more than three hundred strong, among whom are many of the "salt of the earth." Bro. E. S. Pierce is now the zealous pastor of this noble people.

To hear the friendly greetings and feel the warm hand grasps of the West Chowan people as they gather in their annual sessions, truly makes one feel that here is the soul of Christian cordiality.

And now we are in the house singing the old songs of Zion and offering fervent prayers for the guidance of our Great Captain through the entire session, and pleading for His blessing upon our work.

Bro. G. P. Harrill preaches a very appropriate sermon from Heb. 4:6, showing how God's people may be on the very verge of a great blessing, and yet fail to receive it by not exercising faith and going forward.

Bro. Etherton Wilson, of Coleraine, who has been ninety years on life's journey and more than sixty-eight on the Christian pilgrimage, is very fittingly called out by the Moderator and responds in a few historic remarks.

Good reports are brought in from most of the churches of precious revivals and much earnest work done for the Master, and pledges are increased for the coming year. Missions and education are recognized as the supreme need of the hour, and claim our most earnest prayers and our most loyal support.

The Association is glad to welcome Editor J. H. Bailey, Secretaries L. Johnson and T. N. Johnson, and J. H. Rich and S. F. Conrad.

The speeches of L. Johnson on "Missions," and J. W. Bailey on the "Century Movement," were trumpet calls to arise in the strength of God, and this great Baptist host and do great things for the Lord.

Last year the Association closed the first day's work with prayer by Rev. J. C. Fleetwood; now the second day's work is begun with tender memorial services for him, for God took him four days ago. The news of his departure casts a shadow over our hearts, but we are gladdened by the record of his peaceful, well-spent life. A special tribute will appear in these minutes.

Among others called to their reward, we recall the names of Deacon J. H. Perry, of Bethany; Wm. T. Parker, of Meherrin; Mrs. Barber, widow of the late Rev. B. F. Barber, and Miss Rosa O.

Speight, of Republican; Mrs. A. B. Adkins, Mrs. J. W. Moore and Mrs. Jane Britton, of Bethlehem; Mrs. J. M. Vaughn, of Pleasant Grove, and Mrs. Green, of Mars Hill; also, at the time of this writing we are saddened to record the death of Dr. John Taylor, a beloved physician, and an active young Deacon, of Union Church.

From the report on Church Statistics we gather the following: Of the forty-eight churches, every church gives something for Foreign Missions; every church gives something for Home Missions; every church but one gives something for State Missions; every church but four gives to our Orphanage. Twelve give nothing for Ministerial Education, and thirty give nothing for Ministerial Relief.

The total for benevolent objects is \$4,841.59, a gain of \$861.96, with a net gain of 171 members.

Looking over this session of the Association, and the work done during the past year, we feel there is great cause for gratitude to God; but let us turn hopefully from this inspiring meeting to the duties of the next year to work and pray for larger results than ever before.

The world is not old, but young, for the century has renewed its youth; so may all our churches fittingly renew their youth and strive earnestly to save the world as becometh twentieth century Christians.

What shall the record be when we meet with the church at Conaritsa, in 1902?

E. J. HARRILL,
Historian.

REPORT OF WEST CHOWAN BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The West Chowan Baptist Sunday School Convention met in its twelfth annual session, with Mars Hill Baptist Church, Bertie County, June 28, 29, and 30, 1901.

Introductory sermon was preached by E. J. Harrell, from Psalm 23:1, "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want."

Reorganization resulted in the election of D. W. Britton, President; Noah W. Britton, Vice-President; W. J. Beale, Secretary; Dr. R. P. Thomas, Treasurer.

The following committees were announced:

On Digest of Sunday School Letters.—P. S. Vann, A. B. Adkins, J. T. Williams.

On Time, Place, and Preachers for Next Session.—W. H. Miller, H. J. Ward, Julius Brown.

On Practical Subjects for Next Session.—T. J. Ward, Noah W. Britton, E. J. Harrell.

Subjects discussed:

1. Is the Influence of the Sunday School Conducive to Sabbath-keeping, or Do the Sunday Schools Foster and Deepen Respect for the Sabbath Day? Discussed by J. C. Scarborough, S. F. Bristoe, R. P. Thomas, W. H. Miller, R. D. Cross, F. E. Myers, J. T. Williams, T. G. Wood.

2. Branch Schools, Helpful and Hurtful. Discussed by T. G. Wood, W. P. Jordan, A. W. Early, T. T. Speight, C. W. Scarborough, R. D. Cross, Bro. Modlin, Bro. Mizel.

3. Our Greatest Need in the Sunday School. Discussed by G. P. Harrill, R. D. Cross.

4. Special Order: Century Movement—Educational. Discussed by L. M. Curtis, J. C. Scarborough.

5. Catechism and Memorizing Scripture: President Brewer, of Franklin, Va.; Rev. Stalling, of Old Chowan, J. O. Alderman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIGEST OF SUNDAY SCHOOL LETTERS.

Number of Sunday Schools reported	62
Number of officers and teachers	561
Number of scholars enrolled	4,291
Number average attendance	3,009
Number of Bibles in Schools	747
Number of song-books	2,602
Number of volumes in libraries	1,677
Number of papers taken	684
Number of Quarterlies and Leaflets	4,782
Number of Schools using Southern Baptist series	38
Number of Sunday Schools open twelve months.....	33
Average number of months kept open	9½

CONTRIBUTIONS.

State Missions	\$24.07
Home Missions	24.42
Foreign Missions	27.56
Education	6.50
Colportage	12.50
Orphanage	609.54
School expenses	642.84

Amount for all objects \$1,347.43

The following motion by T. G. Wood was adopted by the Convention:

"That the pastors and superintendents of this Convention urge the Sunday Schools to use only the series of helps prepared by the Southern Baptist School Board."

Sunday sermon was preached by T. G. Wood, from Romans 5:3, 5.

The next session of the Sunday School Convention meets with Union Baptist Church, Hertford County, Friday before the fifth Sunday in June, 1902.

To preach introductory sermon, J. O. Alderman; alternate, Samuel Barnes.

To preach Sunday sermon at 11 a. m., W. P. Jordan; alternate, D. Cale.

D. W. BRITTON,
President.

W. J. BEALE,
Secretary.

ELDER JOSHUA C. FLEETWOOD.

This brief sketch of our dearly beloved Bro. Joshua C. Fleetwood, now gone to rest, is prepared at the request of the West Chowan Association.

Brother Fleetwood was born July 4, 1828, in Perquimans County, N. C. (I believe). In early life he moved to Northampton County, N. C., where his long and prosperous and useful life was spent, in noble efforts to do good and to glorify God. He was industrious and attentive to home duties, and ever ready to serve the Master, the Lord Jesus Christ, whom he loved. He was a consecrated man, and the Lord

used him for His glory. Few among us, according to ability, have done more or better work. He had the happy faculty of making himself useful wherever he went; especially was he successful in building churches.

He was one of the chief means in the building of Gallatia, Pine Forest, Roanoke and Margarettsville churches, in Northampton County, and also of Fountain Grove, in Greenville County, Va. He also used his influence as much as he was able in the building of Creekville and the new Baptist Church at Rich Square, and of the church at Jackson.

The brethren in all these places can bear testimony to his consecrated life and work. He had much success in healing breaches, and bringing brethren together, and keeping them together, and working harmoniously.

In pastoral visiting he was very useful. He would go to see the people at their homes, talk with them, eat with them, and pray with them, as he had opportunity; invite them to come to church, telling them that he had a message for them from the Lord. He made the people feel that he was about his Master's business; that he was interested in them, and wanted to do them good. And the Lord was with him, and he prospered. Especially was he successful in this hand-to-hand from house-to-house work; like Paul, he taught publicly and from house to house.

Brother Fleetwood was twice married; first, October 19, 1852, he was married to Miss Susan Elizabeth Lewter, who died July 27, 1863, leaving seven children, five boys and two girls, all of whom are now living except one, Jas. M. Fleetwood, who died some years ago. Again, October 24, 1865, he was married to Miss Louisa F. Maddrey, who died April 27, 1901. Of this second marriage there were born twelve children; seven of these are now living, four boys and three girls. All the others died when quite small, except Elma T., wife of Capt. J. H. Pruden, who died about 1899, leaving three children to mourn their loss.

Brother Fleetwood having finished the work the Lord gave him to do, on the 27th of October, 1901, died in the triumph of faith, leaving thirteen living children, and some thirty or more grandchildren to mourn the loss of such a father.

Heaven's benediction rest upon them all.

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PLEDGES FOR NEXT YEAR.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.
Ahoskie	\$35 00	\$50 00	\$11.00	\$10.00
Aulander	40.00	35.00	25.00	20.00
Bethlehem	30.00	40.00	20.00	15.00
Bethany	10.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
Brantley's Grove	11.00	12.50	11.00	-----
Buckhorn	35.00	45.00	15.00	25.00
Capehart	25.00	25.00	10.00	5.00
Cashie	30.00	30.00	15.00	10.00
Center Grove	20.00	25.00	15.00	7.00
Chowan	30.00	40.00	12.00	10.00
Christian Harbor	4.00	6.00	6.00	-----
Coleraine	25.00	30.00	10.00	5.00
Conaritsa	25.00	25.00	15.00	10.00
Creekville	5.00	6.00	1.00	1.00
Elam	20.00	13.00	6.00	5.00
Galatia	11.00	15.00	7.00	5.00
Green's X Roads	6.00	8.50	3.50	1.00
Harrellsville	10.00	15.00	12.00	8.00
Hillside	-----	7.00	3.25	-----
Hebron	18.00	20.00	12.00	5.00
Holly Grove	10.00	10.00	5.00	8.00
Jackson	15.00	20.00	15.00	5.00
Kelford	10.00	12.50	10.00	2.50
Lawrence's X Roads	6.00	17.00	4.00	3.00
Lewiston	10.00	12.00	10.00	5.00
Margarettsville	10.00	10.00	8.00	3.00
Mars Hill	50.00	25.00	25.00	5.00
Meherrin	10.00	20.00	10.00	-----
Mt. Carmel	15.00	18.00	7.50	5.00
Mt. Tabor	20.00	25.00	10.00	5.00
Murfreesboro	15.00	25.00	15.00	7.50
Oak Grove	4.00	6.00	6.00	2.00
Pine Forest	5.00	5.00	3.00	-----
Potecasi	25.00	25.00	15.00	10.00
Pleasant Grove	20.00	10.00	15.00	10.00
Republican	20.00	25.00	11.00	5.00
Rich Square	12.50	20.00	10.00	3.50
Roanoke	8.00	10.00	2.50	2.00
Roberts' Chapel	50.00	50.00	25.00	15.00
Roquist	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.00
Ross	20.00	20.00	10.00	3.00
Sandy Run	15.00	20.00	10.00	5.00
Seaboard	10.00	15.00	11.00	5.00
Siloam	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.00
Severn	12.00	15.00	10.00	6.00
St. John's	12.00	15.00	6.00	3.00
Union	15.00	30.00	20.00	10.00
Winton	15.00	15.00	10.00	10.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	No. Schools.	Superintendents and their Post-offices.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.
kie	1	W. H. Miller, Union	11	97	108	---	100	12	75
nder	---	A. W. Early, Aulander	10	150	160	50	40	12	110
lehem	1	R. P. Thomas, Bethlehem	15	91	106	230	140	9	61
any	2	M. W. Perry, Coleraine	10	90	100	50	---	9	40
ley's Grove	1	J. B. Modlin, Union	10	88	98	47	129	9	59
horn	1	R. A. Majette, Como	9	69	78	---	35	12	30
hart	1	H. J. Ward, Evansville	5	50	55	50	---	7	37
ie	1	T. Gilliam, Windsor	9	100	109	100	125	12	75
er Grove	1	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie	9	129	138	---	100	9	85
an	1	W. P. Taylor, Winton	10	70	80	---	110	12	50
tain Harbor	1	J. W. Hollomon, Harrellsville	8	77	85	---	78	12	72
aine	2	G. M. Matthews, Coleraine	8	48	56	---	260	12	35
ritsa	---	J. P. Slade, Aulander	6	73	79	20	60	9	45
ville	---	Jas. Hart, Gumberry	12	89	101	---	---	---	---
ia	1	J. W. Rose, Margarettesville	10	80	90	25	---	12	55
n's X Roads	1	J. W. Sanderlin, Windsor	10	100	110	---	---	12	50
ellsville	1	C. H. Smith, Harrellsville	8	82	90	---	---	12	40
on	1	J. D. Gatling, Woodland	8	69	77	50	4	9	40
ide	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
r Grove	1	F. E. Myers, Askewville	10	50	60	---	40	6	30
son	1	B. R. Gay, Jackson	9	51	60	55	82	12	35
rd	2	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford	9	96	105	12	30	12	60
ence's X Roads	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
ston	1	J. A. Modlin, Lewiston	9	70	79	---	2	12	45
arettesville	1	---	6	18	24	38	35	12	10
Hill	2	S. P. Freeman, Rosemead	15	111	126	---	---	9	85
rrin	1	W. S. Nelson, Murfreesboro	12	60	72	50	120	12	60
armel	1	T. J. Stephenson, Seaboard	8	76	84	50	90	12	---
abor	2	J. P. Boyette, Mapleton	12	103	115	72	92	12	64
reesboro	1	P. S. Vann, Murfreesboro	15	95	110	200	200	12	65
Grove	---	A. E. Saunders, Aulander	9	75	84	---	---	9	45
Forest	---	J. A. Collier, Jetts, Va	5	18	23	---	---	7	12
asi	1	C. R. Harrell, Potecasi	7	80	87	---	---	12	65
ant Grove	1	J. W. Vaughan, Aulander	8	65	73	50	65	9	40
blican	3	C. C. Holder, Windsor	10	90	100	50	85	9	75
Square	1	W. E. Clifton, Rich Square	6	96	102	---	---	12	50
ck's Grove	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
oke	---	R. J. Burnett, Rehoboth	8	59	67	---	65	12	14
rts' Chapel	1	B. F. Martin, Conway	13	147	160	137	48	12	98
ist	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
y Run	5	Giles Mizzell, Exeter	48	289	337	---	---	6	196
ard	3	P. E. Peele, Roxobel	11	163	174	400	40	12	96
m	1	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard	8	55	63	135	20	12	36
n	1	J. W. Fleetwood, Severn	17	103	120	---	126	12	75
ohn's	1	J. D. Early, St. John's	8	79	87	---	40	9	55
a	1	A. C. Vann, Union	11	60	71	30	140	12	55
on	---	Jas. S. Mitchell, Winton	12	85	97	50	100	12	60
Total	49	---	459	3,746	4,205	1,851	2,501	---	2,385

Churches.	Location and Date of Constitution.	Received.				Lost.				Gain during Year.	Membe	
		Baptisms.	Letter.	Restoration.	Total.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Total.		Males.	Females.
Ahoskie	Hertford Co., 1812	18	15	3	36	6	2	2	10	16	133	183
Aulander	Bertie Co., 1886	17	2	2	21	5	7	5	17	16	112	13
Bethlehem	Hertford Co., 1835	---	1	2	3	---	6	5	18	---	90	12
Bethany	Bertie Co., 1881	---	7	1	8	2	1	1	4	---	89	9
Brantley's Grove	Hertford Co., 1877	8	1	5	14	1	6	1	8	6	63	8
Buckhorn	Hertford Co., 1837	35	2	2	39	3	2	2	7	33	118	11
Capehart	Bertie Co., 1824	---	8	---	8	---	---	---	---	---	116	18
Cashie	Bertie Co., 1778	---	8	---	8	8	---	6	14	---	112	16
Center Grove	Bertie Co., 1897	7	5	---	12	4	1	1	6	6	77	8
Chowan	Hertford Co., 1895	12	9	---	21	9	1	---	10	11	39	5
Christian Harbor	Hertford Co., 1881	9	5	13	27	2	---	2	4	23	53	7
Coleraine	Bertie Co., 1780	9	8	---	17	12	2	3	17	---	113	16
Conaritsa	Bertie Co., 1789	---	3	1	4	7	2	6	15	---	133	24
Creeksville	Northampton Co., 1892	10	1	2	13	---	---	5	5	8	46	5
Elam	Northampton Co., 1844	14	---	2	16	5	1	1	7	9	67	15
Galatia	Northampton Co., 1859	7	4	---	11	3	3	6	12	---	106	13
Green's X Roads	Bertie Co., 1874	---	3	---	3	5	1	3	9	---	78	10
Harrellsville	Hertford Co., 1875	---	8	---	8	3	1	2	6	---	59	7
Hebron	Northampton Co., 1856	6	6	1	13	5	11	2	18	---	134	15
Hillside	Bertie Co., 1885	---	1	---	1	---	1	---	1	---	28	3
Holly Grove	Bertie Co., 1804	19	4	2	25	3	1	1	5	20	55	7
Jackson	Northampton Co., 1882	---	7	---	7	2	3	1	6	1	36	5
Kelford	Bertie Co., 1898	3	3	---	6	---	1	---	1	---	90	10
Lawrence's X Roads	Bertie Co., 1874	---	8	---	8	7	1	1	9	---	78	8
Lewiston	Bertie Co., 1883	3	3	---	6	8	1	4	13	---	26	2
Margarettsville	Northampton Co., 1889	---	---	---	---	2	---	1	3	---	78	8
Mars Hill	Bertie Co., 1854	20	2	1	23	10	5	2	18	5	164	17
Meherrin	Hertford Co., 1773	29	2	6	37	8	1	4	13	24	136	18
Mt. Carmel	Northampton Co., 1826	4	6	---	10	6	2	---	8	2	66	10
Mt. Tabor	Hertford Co., 1839	20	3	3	26	1	11	3	15	11	126	13
Murfreesboro	Hertford Co., 1842	11	3	2	16	4	2	---	6	10	43	0
Oak Grove	Hertford Co., 1894	---	2	---	2	---	3	3	6	---	41	---
Pine Forest	Northampton Co., 1888	5	---	2	7	---	2	1	3	---	23	---
Potecasi	Northampton Co., 1808	37	3	---	40	20	15	3	38	2	147	18
Pleasant Grove	Hertford Co., 1837	1	2	2	5	11	22	2	35	---	86	14
Republican	Bertie Co., 1803	---	5	---	5	9	3	4	16	---	122	20
Rich Square	Northampton Co., 1854	8	5	3	16	3	1	2	6	10	88	17
Riddick's Grove	Martin Co., 1893	---	3	---	3	---	4	1	5	---	9	---
Roanoke	Northampton Co., 1885	3	---	---	3	---	1	1	2	---	46	0
Roquist	Bertie Co., 1878	3	6	---	9	---	1	1	2	7	46	---
Roberts' Chapel	Northampton Co., 1848	36	4	6	46	21	5	3	29	17	160	28
Ross	Bertie Co., 1804	---	5	---	5	10	1	8	19	---	278	39
Sandy Run	Bertie Co., 1750	---	1	1	2	3	2	3	8	---	104	1
Seaboard	Northampton Co., 1889	1	1	1	3	2	1	---	3	---	45	---
Siloam	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Severn	Northampton Co., 1896	---	13	---	13	---	4	2	6	7	57	---
St. John's	Hertford Co., 1883	6	---	1	7	2	2	1	5	2	63	---
Union	Hertford Co., 1885	---	2	---	2	5	4	1	10	---	75	---
Winton	Hertford Co., 1873	12	6	---	18	3	5	2	10	8	80	1
Total	---	373	194	64	631	236	152	107	495	---	4155	54

STATISTICS.

Pastors and Post-offices.	Clerks and Post-offices.	Sabbaths of Preaching.
Artis, Ahoskie.....	T. J. Vann, Ahoskie.....	2d and 4th.
Arrell, Aulander.....	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander.....	2d and 4th.
Artis, Ahoskie.....	A. B. Adkins, Bethlehem.....	1st and 3d.
Barnes, Branning.....	W. W. Perry, Branning.....	1st.
Barnes, Branning.....	W. J. Cowan, Cofield.....	1st.
Scarborough, Murfreesboro.....	S. P. Winborne, Como.....	2d and 4th.
Barnes, Merry Hill.....	H. J. Ward, Evansville.....	2d.
Berman, Windsor.....	D. E. Modlin, Windsor.....	1st, 2d, 3d and 4th.
Artis, Ahoskie.....	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.....	1st.
Good, Winton.....	T. D. Boone, Winton.....	2d and 4th.
Green, Ahoskie.....	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville.....	2d.
Ordan, Coleraine.....	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine.....	3d.
Beight, Lewiston.....	A. J. Dunning, Aulander.....	3d.
Potecasi.....	W. H. Davis, Creekville.....	2d.
Cale, Potecasi.....	R. J. Hancock, Seaboard.....	4th.
Potecasi.....	W. H. Allen, Seaboard.....	2d.
Barnes, Merry Hill.....	G. W. Castellow, Windsor.....	3d.
Beight, Ahoskie.....	D. Taylor, Harrellsville.....	3d.
Arrell, Aulander.....	A. T. Vick, Woodland.....	3d.
Barnes, Branning.....	J. F. Whedbee, Quitsna.....	3d.
Stow, Aulander.....	Ervin Pritchard, Windsor.....	1st.
Ross, Jackson.....	Edwin Wright, Jackson.....	3d.
Beight, Lewiston.....	W. J. Parker, Kelford.....	2d.
Barnes, Merry Hill.....	J. R. Phelps, Sans Souci.....	1st.
Good, Winton.....	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston.....	1st.
Ross, Jackson.....	A. S. Edwards, Margarettsville.....	3d.
Ordan, Coleraine.....	B. W. Lee, Rosemead.....	-----
Beight, Ahoskie.....	O. Parker, Murfreesboro.....	1st.
Ross, Jackson.....	R. D. B. Maddrey, Seaboard.....	1st.
Arrell, Murfreesboro.....	J. D. Gatling, Mapleton.....	1st and 3d.
Arrell, Murfreesboro.....	W. G. Freeman, Murfreesboro.....	2d and 4th.
Beight, Lewiston.....	R. R. Penwell, Ahoskie.....	1st.
Fullum, Wake Forest.....	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg.....	3d.
Ross, Jackson.....	E. B. Lassiter, Potecasi.....	2d.
Arrell, Aulander.....	J. W. Vaughan, Aulander.....	4th.
Stow, Aulander.....	Levi Hoggard, Drew.....	4th.
Beight, Ahoskie.....	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square.....	2d.
Mason, Williamston.....	J. H. Riddick, Jamesville.....	-----
Wells, Merry Hill.....	R. C. Lassiter, Lasker.....	-----
Barnes, Branning.....	Charles T. Ross, Windsor.....	4th.
Scarborough, Murfreesboro.....	J. H. Stephenson, Pendleton.....	1st and 3d.
Beight, Lewiston.....	W. D. White, Windsor.....	4th.
Beight, Ahoskie.....	G. H. Barnes, Roxobel.....	4th.
Potecasi.....	E. H. Johnson, Seaboard.....	4th.
Potecasi.....	W. H. Howell, Severn.....	4th.
Arrell, Aulander.....	C. Vaughan, St. John's.....	1st.
Good, Winton.....	A. C. Vann, Union.....	2d.
	John A. Downer, Winton.....	-----

EXPENSES OF CHURCH, SUNDAY

Churches.	Church.					Total.
	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Repairs to Buildings and Grounds.	Poor Fund.	Minute Fund.	
Ahoskie.....	\$300.00	\$75.00	\$125.00		\$3.00	\$503.00
Aulander.....	250.00	59.75	322.89	\$16.60	2.00	651.24
Bethlehem.....	300.00	30.50		40.28	2.00	372.78
Bethany.....	115.00			7.13	1.50	123.63
Brantley's Grove.....	100.00	15.45	91.53	1.40	1.50	209.88
Buckhorn.....	325.00	89.00			2.00	416.00
Capehart.....	137.00	14.00	167.66	8.33	1.50	329.09
Cashie.....	600.00	28.30	1,100.00	4.37	2.50	1,735.17
Center Grove.....	110.00	16.00		2.74	2.00	130.74
Chowan.....	300.00	25.00			1.50	327.00
Christian Harbor.....	81.00	13.00		2.28	1.15	97.78
Coieraine.....	150.00	31.48	192.23		2.00	376.71
Conaritsa.....	175.00		2,000.00	30.50	2.00	2,207.50
Creeksville.....	70.00				1.00	71.00
Ealm.....	100.00	.84			1.68	102.52
Galatia.....	126.00	9.40			1.50	136.90
Green's X Roads.....	85.00	41.83		13.25	.65	140.73
Harrellsville.....	150.00	20.00	125.00	35.00	1.00	331.00
Hebron.....	150.00	25.00		10.00	2.00	187.00
Hillside.....	50.00		50.00			100.00
Holly Grove.....	100.00	15.00			1.00	116.00
Jackson.....	150.00	25.00			1.00	176.00
Kelford.....	150.00	1.01			1.00	152.01
Lawrence's X Roads.....	125.00	12.00	1.72	1.50	.85	141.07
Lewiston.....	175.00	30.50	30.09		1.50	237.09
Margarettsville.....	75.00	20.00			.75	95.75
Mars Hill.....	150.00	18.00		2.57	2.00	172.57
Meherrin.....	150.00		20.33	2.86	2.50	175.73
Mt. Carmel.....	150.00	12.50			1.50	164.00
Mt. Tabor.....	250.00	23.96		3.02	1.50	278.48
Murfreesboro.....	250.00	55.56			1.50	307.06
Oak Grove.....	75.00	3.00	78.50	2.00	.50	159.00
Pine Forest.....	75.00				.68	75.68
Potecasi.....	150.00	50.00		10.00	2.00	212.00
Pleasant Grove.....	150.00	12.00	1.00	6.31	1.50	170.81
Republican.....	150.00	10.00		7.50	2.50	170.00
Rich Square.....	150.00	5.00		12.00	1.00	168.00
Riddick's Grove.....	15.00					
Roanoke.....	50.00	6.00			1.00	57.00
Roberts' Chapel.....	400.00	39.00	1.80	26.77	3.00	479.67
Roquist.....	75.00		39.75	4.00	.75	119.40
Ross'.....	200.00	23.50	11.50	20.01	3.00	258.01
Sandy Run.....	200.00	10.34	7.07	4.53	2.00	223.94
Seaboard.....	125.00	25.00			1.00	151.00
Siloam.....						
Severn.....	150.00	18.00			1.50	169.50
St. John's.....	100.00	7.25			1.10	
Union.....	200.00	37.50	18.47		1.50	257.47
Winton.....	15.00	30.00	41.50	5.00	1.50	93.00
	7,579.00	984.47	2,516.93	279.91	73.11	11,433.42

SCHOOLS AND MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Sunday Schools.					Missionary Societies.					
Incidental Expenses.	Cost of Papers and Quartermen.	Cost of Books.	Other Objects.	Total.	Incidental Expenses.	Cost of Literature.	Cost of Correspondence.	Other Objects.	Total.	Total Expenses in all Church Departments.
	\$16.00		\$10.00	\$26.00						\$529.00
	62.50			62.50						846.24
\$27.50	15.00	\$4.20		46.70						419.48
1.73	1.60			3.33						126.96
2.33	15.81		18.00	34.14						244.02
	12.40			12.40			.24			428.64
	3.00			3.00			.16			332.09
20.05				20.05						1,755.22
	7.60		1.05	8.65						139.39
15.00	21.15	6.50	16.95	59.60		2.35			2.35	388.95
5.34	26.06			31.40						129.18
2.00	11.00		2.00	15.00						190.71
										2,292.66
										71.00
	5.00	.55		5.55						102.52
	8.00	2.47		10.47				9.67	9.67	142.45
	12.00			12.00						160.87
	5.00			5.00						342.00
										192.00
	24.00	.30		24.30	.25			.10	.35	116.00
	25.00	2.85	2.80	30.65						200.65
										182.66
.84	19.55	.77		21.16				6.00	6.00	141.07
	3.08			3.08						264.25
	5.75			5.75						98.83
	15.46			15.46						177.32
	10.41			10.41						191.33
	13.56		.90	14.46			.48		.48	174.10
	28.01	16.80	2.65	47.46			.16	.35	.51	293.42
2.85	8.00			10.85	1.60		.04	68.36	70.00	355.03
	.75			.75						239.85
	11.56			11.56						76.43
	7.00	7.00		14.00						223.56
	8.00	1.00	10.93	19.93						184.81
2.00	15.00									189.93
										185.00
										15.00
5.12	4.00		5.50	9.50						66.50
	19.80	13.50		38.42						518.08
										149.00
	3.00			3.00						385.42
	17.00	6.00		23.00						246.94
	10.00			10.00						161.00
	19.80	.30	20.00	20.30						189.80
8.00	8.00	.50		16.50						116.85
	12.87			12.87						270.34
	8.50		25.00	33.50						126.50
92.76	512.22	62.74	95.98	763.70	1.85	2.35	1.08	84.48	89.36	12,286.48

Churches.	CHURCH BENEVOLENCE.									
	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Chowan Institute.	Minister's Relief Board.	Poor Outside of Church.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.
Ahoskie	\$30.00	\$44.75	\$11.00							
Aulander	40.00	35.00	25.00	\$20.00			\$5.00			\$70.00
Bethlehem	30.00	40.00	20.00	15.00		\$50.00	5.00			46.50
Bethany	6.50	10.00	3.50		\$3.75			\$1.64		
Brantley's Grove	11.00	16.00	11.00		2.50		1.65			
Buckhorn	40.00	45.00	15.00	25.00	35.00					
Capehart	23.75	9.17	8.52	5.00	11.93					
Cashie	10.18	17.72	12.91		18.97		3.84			15.00
Center Grove	20.00	20.00	15.00	7.00	15.50			12.50		22.50
Chowan	16.00	35.00		1.75						
Christian Harbor	4.00	6.09	3.50	1.00	23.17		1.57			12.00
Coleraine	25.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	45.29				\$2.50	
Conaritsa		5.00		10.00	10.24					
Creeksville										
Elam	20.00	15.00	5.00	10.00	2.65		1.65			18.30
Galatia	2.65	4.35	2.00	5.00	1.65				2.38	8.50
Green's X Roads	6.00	8.35	5.00		11.60		2.00			
Harrellsville	10.00	15.00	12.00		118.00					
Hebron	15.00	20.00	13.30	5.00	18.20		3.00		4.20	
Hillside	2.50	6.10	2.25		3.00		1.57			2.90
Holly Grove	8.00	10.00	5.00	8.00	2.52					15.00
Jackson	19.50	30.50	13.00	5.00	5.00					
Kelford	10.00	12.61	15.00	2.71	2.00			10.00		
Lawrence's X Roads	6.61	16.00	6.25	2.15	10.03					
Lewiston	10.00	8.31	6.00	4.20	6.35		2.42	4.00		
Margarettsville	10.37	10.12	7.11	2.00						1.80
Mars Hill	60.00	30.44	25.00	8.00	58.84		3.00	7.23		21.30
Meherrin	10.00	20.00	7.00	3.00						
Mt. Carmel	16.25	18.88	7.50	5.00	4.17					
Mt. Tabor	18.00	25.00	7.00	5.31	9.70					59.60
Murfreesboro	15.00	25.00	15.00	7.50	23.00					62.60
Oak Grove	4.00	6.00	6.00	2.00	5.00					
Pine Forest	3.86	5.00	1.00							
Potocasi	25.00	25.00	15.00	10.00						
Pleasant Grove	20.00	20.00	15.00	10.00	30.00					5.50
Republican	25.00	20.00	11.00	5.00			2.50			
Rich Square	12.50	20.00	5.00							
Riddick's Grove	.50		1.50		4.58					
Roanoke	8.00	10.00	2.50							
Roberts' Chapel	50.00	50.00	22.00	15.00						83.30
Roquist	5.00	5.00	5.00							
Ross	20.00	15.00	10.00	3.00				5.10		
Sandy Run	20.00	25.00	15.00		7.19					
Seaboard	10.00	15.00	10.00	5.00						2.00
Siloam										
Severn	12.00	21.50	10.00	7.25	3.42					
St. John's	10.00	12.00	6.00	3.00	5.00		1.00	7.00		5.00
Union	15.00	27.50	15.00	10.00	5.00		1.75			33.00
Winton	15.00	15.00	10.00	10.00				10.00	2.50	32.50
Total	747.16	881.29	448.84	242.87	498.44	50.00	34.40	57.47	11.58	517.60

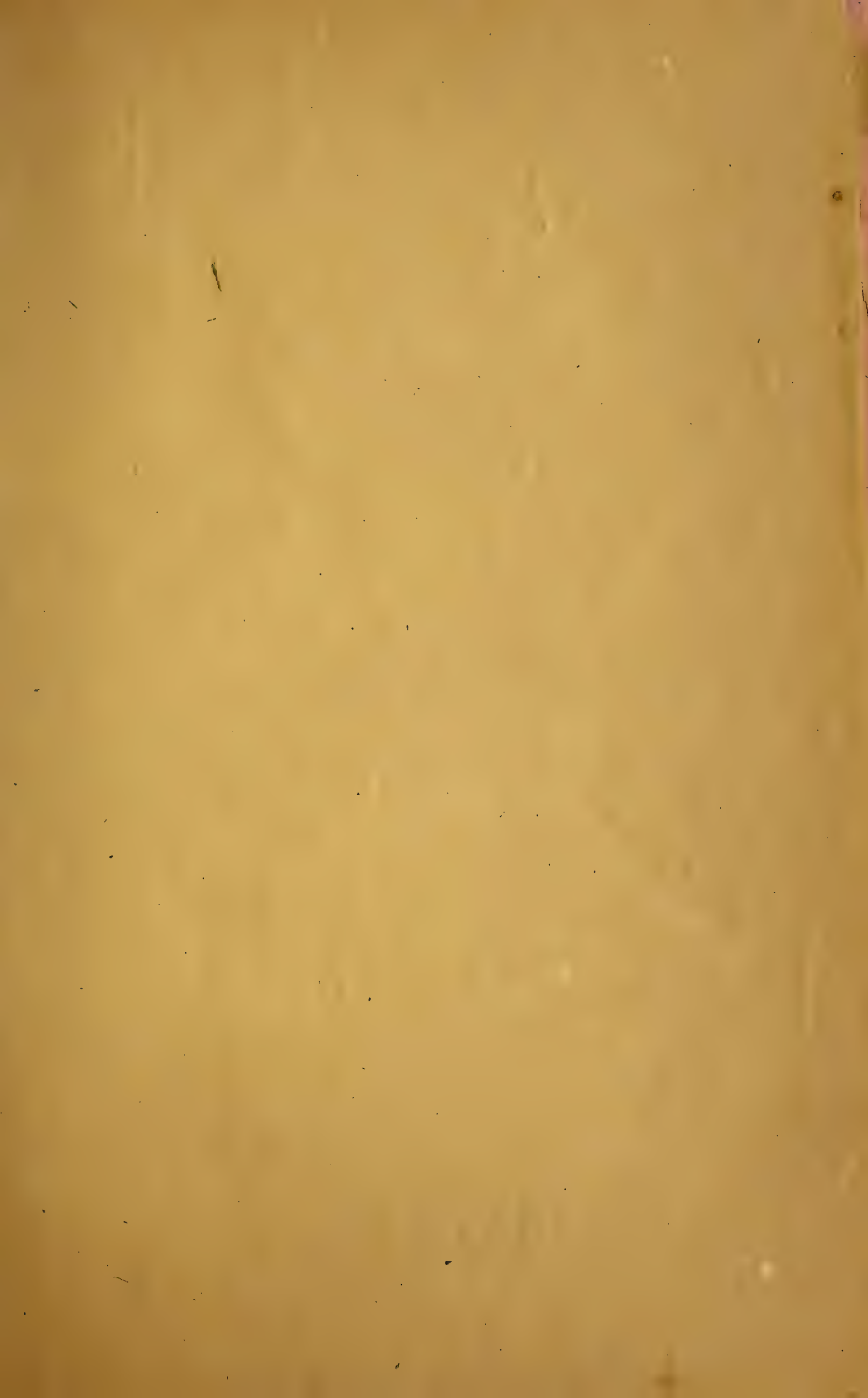
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SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.											
State Missions.	Home Missions.	Sunday School Board.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sunday School Board.	Orphanage.	Minister's Relief Board.	Poor.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.	Total.	Total Benevolence from Church in all Departments.
			\$60.00		\$60.00	\$5.00	\$5.25									\$10.25	\$174.82
			60.00		60.00	5.00	5.00	\$5.00						\$4.00	117.38	136.38	391.88
			39.47		39.47												245.97
																	25.39
																	46.40
			35.09		35.09	3.00	16.54	3.15							98.00	120.69	315.78
						1.25	6.81									8.06	76.43
			16.26	10.66	26.92	21.91	9.00	45.02								75.93	181.47
																	112.50
			45.00		45.00	15.00	15.00	54.30					\$3.00		10.00	97.30	198.25
2.00			6.00		8.00	4.10	4.09	2.50	1.03		1.03	1.57			1.07	15.39	66.77
						25.00	20.00	15.00								60.00	125.79
																	85.24
						8.35	10.70	4.00									11.00
																	62.60
			60.00		60.00												49.58
			2.50		2.50	8.00	8.00	6.87									35.20
																	215.00
																	104.07
			5.00		5.00	2.75	2.50									5.25	48.52
			2.00		2.00	3.32	3.33	3.35								10.00	92.08
						2.00	3.50	2.50								8.00	63.32
			6.00		6.00	2.80	2.00	2.00								6.80	49.05
1.97	2.74		12.00		12.00												54.08
2.50			5.68		9.89												43.48
			4.66		9.66	4.05	4.05									8.10	223.67
			3.09		3.09	5.00	3.50	2.05								11.00	57.76
	1.00		10.99		11.99	10.26	14.32	11.70								36.28	65.89
3.81			18.24		22.05		6.49	3.25							6.38	16.12	172.95
																	186.30
																	23.00
																	9.86
			15.49		15.49	9.90	9.90	9.90								29.70	120.20
		.86	6.91		7.57	1.67	3.10	1.17		1.45					9.10	16.49	116.99
						2.25		1.35							.90	4.50	71.09
	3.79				3.79	1.93	1.82	1.16								4.91	42.00
			61.83		61.83		.85	1.06			2.74						6.58
			5.01		5.01	5.43	5.43	5.43								4.65	29.20
	9.00				9.00											16.30	15.00
	7.14		15.00		23.14	6.45	4.05	6.15							4.50	4.65	273.31
		4.41	16.59		21.00												74.41
			16.30		16.50	8.00	8.25	2.25	3.00								67.19
			50.00	3.74	53.74	6.25	1.00	3.25					10.00		30.00	10.50	171.52
			4.85	10.00	14.85											40.00	85.29
3.28	4.74	26.20	569.66	40.70	622.78	169.71	174.48	192.27	4.03	1.95	3.77	1.57	13.00	9.00	276.50	841.67	4,994.40

Grand total of Church Expenses and Benevolence, \$17,280.88.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerks.	Preachers of the Introductory Sermon.	Texts.
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.	R. P. Thomas	W. C. Parker	D. A. Woodson	Rom. i. 16.
1884	Roberts' Chapel, Northampton Co.	do	do	J. D. Huffman	Acts xx. 24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Psalms xvi. 8.
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Heb. xlii. 1.
1887	Winston, Hertford Co.	do	do	B. B. Williams	Acts xx. 35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.	do	do	M. L. Green	Gal. vi. 10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do	do	T. T. Speight	Gal. vi. 10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Rom. vii. 1.
1891	Union, Hertford Co.	do	do	T. G. Wood	Habakuk ii. 15.
1892	Mt. Carmel, Northampton Co.	do	do	Braxton Craig	Num. xlii. 30.
1893	Coleraine, Bertie Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Col. ii. 10.
1894	Mt. Tabor, Hertford Co.	do	do	A. Cree	Col. i. 28.
1895	Sandy Run, Bertie Co.	do	do	J. B. Boone	Rom. xv. 1, 2, 3.
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co.	do	W. R. Raynor	R. D. Cross	Eph. i. 17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	J. C. Scarborough	do	McKaughan	Acts v. 29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.	do	do	W. P. Jordan	Rom. v. 8; viii. 32.
1899	Aboskie, Hertford Co.	do	do	J. A. Speight	Joel iii. 14, 15, 16.
1900	Polecat, Northampton Co.	C. W. Mitchell	N. W. Britton	R. D. Cross	Gal. vi. 14.
1901	Capehart, Bertie Co.	do	do	G. F. Harrill	Heb. iv. 6.



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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

E. J. Harrell.....	Woodland, N. C.
J. A. Speight.....	Winton, N. C.
S. F. Bristow.....	Aulander, N. C.
Dancy Cale.....	Potecasi, N. C.
R. D. Cross.....	Jackson, N. C.
L. M. Curtis.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
M. L. Green.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
S. B. Barnes.....	Branning, N. C.
G. P. Harrill.....	Murfreesboro, N. C.
C. W. Scarborough.....	Murfreesboro, N. C.
T. T. Sneight.....	Lewiston, N. C.
R. T. White.....	Seaboard, N. C.
C. E. Edwards.....	Seaboard, N. C.
J. C. Mizell.....	Merry Hill, N. C.
J. R. Mathews.....	Hexlena, N. C.
B. Leggett.....	Windsor, N. C.
John Mitchell.....	Hexlena, N. C.
T. G. Wood.....	Aulander, N. C.
W. P. Jordan.....	Colerain, N. C.
J. O. Alderman.....	Windsor, N. C.
J. R. Cullom (pastor, but not a resident)....	Wake Forest, N. C.

OFFICERS.

C. W. Mitchell, Moderator.....	Aulander.
J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator.....	Winton.
N. W. Britton, Clerk.....	Woodland.
J. M. Powell, Treasurer.....	Harrellsville.
E. J. Harrell, Historian.....	Woodland.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

State Missions.—Dr. R. P. Thomas, H. E. Wilson, Estus White.
 Education.—S. B. Barnes, W. L. Johnson, W. C. Evans.
 Baptist Orphanage.—E. J. Harrell, J. H. Evans, M. J. Lee.
 Ministers' Relief.—W. L. Davis, C. W. Harrell, Joseph Taylor.
 Periodicals.—John L. Pritchard, J. H. Lawrence, J. R. Crocker.
 C. B. F. Institute.—L. M. Curtis, W. H. Pruden, A. C Vann.
 Home Missions.—C. W. Scarborough, J. P. Holloman, A. J. Dunning.
 Foreign Missions.—D. Cale, W. S. Nelson, J. T. Long.
 Church Statistics.—N. W. Britton, J. P. Boyette, C. L. L. Cobb.
 Temperance.—J. A. Speight, A. O. Kiff, B. F. Davis.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: Provided, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECT.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

Art 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for dismissal.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to re-

quire their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality. (2) The names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post-offices. (3) The Sabbaths of regular service. (4) The church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female. (5) Sabbath-school statistics. (6) Amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund. (7) Names of delegates and alternates. (8) Any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order; and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the Minutes an historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. Adopted 1898.

Resolved; That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

11 a. m.—Introductory sermon.

12 m.—Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.

12:30 p. m.—Recess.

2 p. m.—Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize. Read Constitution. Call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session. Receive new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint committees.

3 p. m.—Report on Temperance.

3:30 p. m.—Report on Periodicals.

4 p. m.—Assignment of Homes. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises.

10 a. m.—Routine business.

10:15 a. m.—Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.

11 a. m.—Report on Education.

11:45 a. m.—Report on State Missions.

12:30 p. m.—Recess.

2 p. m.—Convene. Routine business.

2:10 p. m.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.

2:30 p. m.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.

3:15 p. m.—Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises.

10 a. m.—Convene. Routine business.

10:15 a. m.—Report on Home Missions.

11 a. m.—Report on Church Statistics.

11:15 a. m.—Report of committees. Miscellaneous business. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

Tuesday, October 28, 1902.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met this day in its twentieth annual session with the Baptist Church at Connaritsa, Bertie County.

The introductory sermon was preached by D. Cale from 2 Cor. 9: 6-7.

After the sermon the Moderator of last session, C. W. Mitchell, called the Association to order and read a passage of Scripture, after which J. B. Boone led the Association in prayer.

The Clerk called the roll of churches and the delegates were enrolled, as follows:

Ahoskie—W. H. Miller, T. J. Vann, *J. C. Jenkins.

Aulander—A. W. Earley, J. E. Lang, W. D. Hoggard, C. W. Mitchell.

Bethlehem—R. P. Thomas, A. Bass, W. A. Perry.

Bethany—*Wright Evans, J. R. Byrum.

Brantley's Grove—W. P. Willoby, A. O. Kiff.

Buckhorn—*W. T. Taylor, *H. B. Picot, *S. D. Howell.

Capeharts—H. J. Ward, Estus White, J. P. Baker, F. P. Britt.

Cashie—W. L. Davis, J. H. White, J. L. Spivey.

Center Grove—J. R. Mathews, C. S. Godwin, Lafayette Hollo-man.

Chowan—W. P. Taylor, *C. F. Griffin.

Christian Harbor—J. H. Evans, Levi Baker.

Colerain—H. E. Wilson, W. H. Harrell, A. C. Peele.

Connaritsa—W. G. Burden, R. A. Cowan, A. J. Dunning.

Creeksville—J. W. Britton, *George Bridgers.

Elam—*T. J. Taylor, J. R. Stephenson.

Galatia—*J. T. Lewter, B. A. Barnes, *L. E. Davis.

Green's Cross Roads—G. W. Castellow, W. H. Mizelle, *W. J. Mizelle.

Harrellsville—J. T. Williams, J. M. Powell, W. E. Miller, Q. T. Copeland.

Hillside—F. M. Thomson, G. P. Bazemore.

Hebron—W. L. Johnson, W. E. Futrell, *J. K. Revel.

Holly Grove—Ervin Pritchard, F. E. Myers.

Jackson—*W. R. Newsome, B. F. Davis.

Kelford—C. L. L. Cobb, W. C. Evans.

Lawrence's Cross Roads—J. W. Langdale, C. Cobb.

Lewiston—Wayland Mitchell, W. J. Earley.

Margarettsville—*I. P. Parker, *Jordan Edwards.

Mars Hill—M. J. Lee, W. W. Outlaw, Josiah Brown, Bennie Brown.

Meherrin—Bennie Hines, W. S. Nelson, *J. B. Parker, J. E. Vaughan.

Mt. Carmel—J. G. Joyner, C. H. Joyner, J. R. Stephenson, *H. P. Boyd.

Mt. Tabor—J. P. Boyette, C. W. Stephenson, W. D. Brown.
 Murfreesboro—J. C. Scarborough, *J. D. Babb, R. Sewell.
 Oak Grove—A. E. Saunders, B. F. Lassiter.
 Pine Forest—*J. A. Collier, *T. T. Floyd.
 Potecasi—C. R. Harrell, J. R. Baugham, Arthur Jenkins.
 Pleasant Grove—*N. J. Britton, S. P. Joyner, R. A. Cooke.
 Republican—G. W. White, J. L. Pritchard, Sylvester E. Butler,
 J. H. Bazemore.
 Rich Square—J. P. Holloman, *J. P. Lassiter, A. J. Rountree.
 Roanoke—*R. C. Lassiter, *R. P. Morehead.
 Roberts' Chapel—Joseph Taylor, Osia Horn, *W. J. Hedgepeth,
 John Barnes.
 Roquist—J. A. Johnson, J. E. Taddlock.
 Ross—J. H. Lawrence, W. D. White, T. Q. Costellow, A. J.
 White.
 Sandy Run—A. T. Liverman, E. L. Bishop, W. J. Watson.
 Seaboard—J. R. Crocker, *W. E. Harris.
 Siloam—G. D. Leggett, R. L. Speller.
 Severn—W. H. Pruden, J. W. Hoggard, *P. M. Fleetwood.
 St. John's—W. P. Howard, J. T. Liverman.
 Union—J. A. Copeland, A. C. Vann.
 Winton—J. S. Mitchell, A. W. Liverman.
 Woodland—N. W. Britton, C. W. Harrell.

*Absent.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren a Committee on Credentials: W. L. Davis, F. E. Myers, A. T. Liverman, W. H. Miller, J. G. Joyner.

The Association adjourned until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association convened at about 2 o'clock, and was led in prayer by B. Leggett.

The Committee on Credentials reported that all the churches are in accord with the Constitution. The report was adopted.

The next order of business was the election of officers, which resulted as follows: C. W. Mitchell, Moderator; J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; J. M. Powell, Treasurer; E. J. Harrell, Historian.

The Constitution and Rules of Order were read by R. D. Cross.

Woodland Baptist Church, having been constituted since the last session of this body, through E. J. Harrell, sought admission into the Association. A committee consisting of C. W. Scarborough, L. M. Curtis and W. P. Jordan was appointed to examine the Articles of Faith of Woodland Baptist Church. The committee, after due consideration, recommended the admission of said church, which was duly done.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats in the Association. The following responded: J. B. Boone, of the Baptist Orphanage;

J. W. Powell, of the Tar River Association; S. F. Conrad, of the North Carolina Baptist; J. T. Riddick, of Norfolk, Va.; J. B. Newton, of the Neuse Association; Bro. Forehand, of the Chowan Association.

On behalf of Connaritsa Church, C. W. Mitchell delivered the address of welcome to the Association. T. G. Wood responded.

The Report on Temperance was read by J. O. Alderman.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance. 2 Pet. 1: 5, 6.

The cause of temperance has, we trust, made some progress within the boundary of our Association. But we are far behind the van of progress in temperance.

Of the ninety-seven (97) counties in North Carolina, forty-seven (47) now have no licensed saloons. Five counties have dispensaries, but no saloons. This makes fifty-two (52) counties with no licensed saloons, leaving forty-five (45) counties in which there are licensed saloons. But of these forty-five (45) counties twenty (20) have saloons only in the county-seats. This leaves only twenty-five (25) counties in which licensed saloons have "free course."

Much progress has been made in the State within the last ten years. Within the last five years whole counties have joined the sisterhood of prohibition. But the three counties composing this Association are lagging behind. One of them, Hertford, has one dispensary and no saloons; another, Northampton, has two dispensaries and a few open saloons; and the other, Bertie, has five licensed saloons in the county-seat, a town of 597 inhabitants, with ten other licensed saloons distributed over the county in five different places. Several distilleries are also operating within this territory. Wine-making also adds its items of evil to this condition of affairs.

This is a reproach to our Association, one of the strongest Baptist bodies in the world.

The Bible is our law-book and discipline. Hear it speak: 1 Cor. 6: 10—Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor reviles, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

Isa. 5: 22—Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink.

Hab. 2: 15—Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink.

Rom. 14: 21—It is good neither to eat flesh nor drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak.

Prov. 22: 6—Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it.

With this curse against drunkenness and against giving one's neighbor drink, and this charge to do nothing that makes one's brother stumble or makes him weak, and this charge to train up the child in the way he should go, we Bible-boasting Baptists

must not let this great Baptist territory lag behind in this matter of temperance.

We recommend that our pastors preach specific sermons on temperance, that the moral sentiment in favor of temperance be strengthened in every way possible, that the Christian voter be urged to vote for no man known to be in favor of saloons.

J. O. ALDERMAN,
J. R. MATHEWS,
W. P. HOWARD,
Committee.

The report was discussed by J. O. Alderman and S. F. Conrad, and was adopted.

The Report on Periodicals was presented by T. G. Wood.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The value of a well-edited, up-to-date, clean, denominational paper can scarcely be overestimated. Coming laden with good things once a week into our homes, and touching our interests at so many vital points, it has ceased to be a luxury and has become one of the "necessaries of life" to the earnest and aggressive Christian.

If "knowledge is power," then ignorance is weakness; and no weakness is so manifest as that of the non-reading, unknowing element in our churches.

No man can do more than he knows, and our people need such a paper to acquaint themselves with the enterprises fostered by the denomination. As a medium for exchange of thought among the brethren, to cultivate the spirit of missions on both the home and foreign fields, and to keep us up to our duty to give Christian education to our children, the Biblical Recorder has no substitute. It is the acknowledged organ of the State Convention, and therefore the authorized medium of communication for the whole brotherhood of the State. The paper is informing and clean, watchful and fearless, abreast of the times, and sound. No one can read it carefully and regularly without aspiring to become a better man and more efficient church worker. The best mission and educational work a pastor can do is to put the Recorder into the homes of all his people, and urge them to read it.

We commend also the Foreign Mission Journal, and Charity and Children.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. G. WOOD, For Committee.

The report was adopted without discussion.

The following committees for the session were appointed:

Committee on Religious Exercises—Pastor and Deacons of Connaritsa Church.

Finance Committee—C. R. Harrell, H. J. Ward, Q. T. Cope-land.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for Next Session—
W. P. Taylor, C. S. Godwin, J. W. Hoggard.

The Committee on Hospitality at this point assigned homes to the delegates.

The Association adjourned until Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Benediction by J. T. Riddick.

WEDNESDAY —MORNING SESSION.

Religious exercises at about 9:30, conducted by J. T. Riddick. The Association was called to order for the business of the day at 10 o'clock, and was led in prayer by J. W. Powell.

R. L. Davis, a Methodist minister, was recognized by the Moderator and invited to a seat in the Association.

The time having arrived for the report on the Chowan Baptist Female Institute, and the committee whose duty it was to prepare the report not being present, J. C. Scarborough was requested to make a verbal report and address the Association on the Institute. This he did. J. W. Powell spoke on the same subject.

J. C. Scarborough read the Report on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The denominational schools for the education of our ministers, and our young people generally, had their origin in a felt necessity.

Education, in order to properly prepare men and women for the discharge of the duties of life, and to specially and properly prepare ministers of the Gospel for the special duties which they, as such, are to discharge, must have the religious, spiritual element dominating it, or it fails of its purpose. A clear-cut code of morals and a definite system of religion are essential to the make-up of those elements of character which make good citizenship. The best citizenship is none too good for us and for the highest interest of our country. That citizenship which recognizes God as the only true basis of all good character, and obedience to God's laws and commandments as the best means of serving our fellow-men and our country, and that alone makes a true patriot.

Patriotism in America, as elsewhere, has its nursery in the home, the Christian home, and is best cultivated and properly developed by Christian manhood and womanhood. This, for the future, depends largely—may we not say entirely?—on what we shall make the manhood and womanhood of the present to be by our efforts to properly educate the young men and ministers and young women who are very soon to take charge of our homes and churches and to shape the religious doctrines, ideals and policies of the people and the churches.

This work of Christian education—all educational work of Christians is necessarily Christian education—can best be done

by Christian schools in charge of and directed in policy and instruction by Christian men and women—orthodox in faith and sound in doctrine, according to the standard held up in the Scriptures.

If this be true—and it is true—then it follows as necessarily true that our Baptist people must educate their children in their own schools and teach them the doctrines and principles of the Scriptures as held in faith and practice by Baptist churches. If other people and other denominations educate our children we must expect it to follow, as night follows day, that our children will be proselyted to other denominations.

The Baptists founded the denominational schools in the past and thus far in their history as means of self-preservation and of growth as a denomination. The growth in numbers, the spread of our principles and the multiplying of Baptist homes and churches are to be credited very largely to our academies and institutions of higher learning for the education of our children and the training of our ministry.

This Association ought to double its efforts and contributions for our Education Board, located at Wake Forest College, having in charge the special work of educating young men called of God to preach the Gospel. Its work through all the years of its existence has been fruitful of good results. The ministers trained by its efforts have been and are still a mighty leverage in our uplift in piety, power, influence and numbers. The large number of young ministers now in training under the care of the Board—forty-four—ought to have the benefit of our larger contributions that they may be properly fitted for preaching the Gospel and being well-equipped pastors for our churches.

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,

For the Committee.

C. W. Scarborough and John Mitchell addressed the Association on this report, and it was adopted. The roll of churches was called and pledges made for next year.

The Report on the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville was read by T. T. Speight.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The establishing of homes for the poor, motherless and fatherless children of our State has a value that God, and God alone, will ever be able to estimate. Many of us are living who remember well when a poor motherless and fatherless child was taken to the court and bound out, often to a man who considered he had purchased a slave. From then until the poor child was twenty-one no one can tell his life but the one that lived it. Thanks be to Almighty God that in the latter part of the nineteenth century He put it into the hearts of the people to begin this grand and noble work that lies closer to the hearts of the people than any other one work.

Now let us give you some of the facts as they are given by the general manager:

The Orphanage commenced active operations the first of November, 1884, eighteen years ago. The plant now consists of nineteen brick buildings, three good wooden buildings besides the barn and stables. The farm contains 350 acres of land. We have on it six head of mules and horses, about twenty-five head of cattle and a moderate-sized stock of hogs. The plant, in all, is easily worth \$50,000. In the General Managers' report for 1901 the statement was made that during the past six years we have added to our plant \$25,000 in value. Since that time at least \$3,000 have been added. Of the above-named buildings six of them are dormitories and four of them have their corresponding cook-rooms and dining-rooms. In each of these dormitories there is a teacher and a matron, which makes twelve employees and we will soon have added to that one other dormitory which will make fourteen teachers and matrons.

The first orphan was received the first day of November, 1884. Since that time there have been admitted into the Orphanage 721 orphans. There are present today 206, which shows that about five hundred have gone out from the institution. Many of them have taken good and honorable positions in the world, but with all of this we have not met the demands, and the cry has been all the while for more room. We have a building now that is about ready to be occupied. That, however, has been delayed from one cause or another for several months, during which time an accumulation of fifty or more applications have occurred and we have enough applications today to fill the new building, and they still come. A distressing situation is constantly before us, of a number of worthy applications that we cannot take for lack of room.

May God put it into the hearts of the people to enlarge the work to that extent that there may be room for all the needy. Your committee would urge upon the brethren to increase their contributions to this good work.

T. T. SPEIGHT,

For Committee.

The report was discussed by T. T. Speight and J. B. Boone.

The following resolution was adopted:

Inasmuch as we do not here pledge to the support of our Orphanage and thus declare our approval of the management of the institution; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we look with pleasure and hearty approval on the work of our Orphanage, and with renewed interest we watch its growth and efficiency, and here express our confidence in the General Manager and his co-workers and pledge them our prayers and support. We recommend the suggestion made in the report, that we shall begin to consider the duty of building at our Orphanage a "West Chowan Building."

C. W. SCARBOROUGH.

On motion, a cash collection was taken for our Orphanage, amounting to \$36.20. The report was adopted.

The following visiting brethren were invited to seats in the Association: J. W. Bailey, editor of the Biblical Recorder; Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board; W. F. Fry, of Durham; J. B. Brewer, of Franklin; J. S. Farmer, agent for the Biblical Recorder.

The Association adjourned for dinner. Benediction by L. Johnson.

WEDNESDAY.—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 2 o'clock, and was led in prayer by W. F. Fry.

R. P. Thomas presented the report on Ministers' Relief.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF FUND.

The same spirit that influenced Christ to die for men in their dependent and helpless condition prompted some of the leading Baptist brethren of our State in 1890 to provide for a fund to furnish relief and aid to needy Baptist ministers and their widows.

We are plainly taught in God's word to give aid to the deservedly poor and to bear one another's burdens. Are not Baptist ministers, who preached the Gospel for the Gospel's sake, and have made sacrifices and worn themselves out in God's service, and are now without means, worthy objects of our aid and assistance? If so, ought not all of the churches of our Association to help them instead of fourteen of the forty-nine that aided last year?

Your Committee hopes to be excused for suggesting that some of the pastors are partially responsible for so many of the churches failing to contribute to these aged and infirm representatives of our Master.

Dear pastors, is it not false modesty that prevents your pressing the claims of such worthy servants of Christ? We request each and every pastor of the Association to ask their churches sometime during the coming Associational year for an average of just one cent per member for these "scar-worn veterans" in Christ's service.

R. P. THOMAS,
For Committee.

The report was adopted.

On motion, Editor Bailey was given fifteen minutes to speak on the Recorder.

The time having arrived for the consideration of State Missions, J. S. Mitchell read the report.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

North Carolina today is enjoying an industrial prosperity never before known in its history. Signs of progress are not wanting in any part of her borders. Our State seems destined, at no distant day, to become one of the greatest States of the South in material growth. This march of progress in material things calls for a corresponding awakening among the representatives of the Christian religion, especially the Baptists, to whom God, in His providence, has largely given the State.

If we, as Baptists, would become a power in the Lord's kingdom, commensurate with our responsibility, we must seize the golden opportunity as it is passing by.

Another encouragement to greater efforts in State Missions is the wonderful success with which God has crowned the labors of our missionaries during the past year.

A large number of baptisms have been reported, churches have been organized, new houses of worship built, and our denominational strength has been greatly increased by the work of the State Mission Board.

Notwithstanding the times come to us freighted with bright and encouraging opportunities, they bring with them the ever-present discouragements.

Our State Board is crippled for the want of funds with which to meet the crying needs of the various fields opening up to us because of our unprecedented material prosperity.

At several points in our State towns with a population of several thousand have grown up within the last three or four years, and, while they are occupied by strong men of other denominations, the Baptists are without a dollar to invest even in foundation work. The State Board could easily and advantageously appropriate fifty thousand dollars to State Missions the coming year if the money were placed at its disposal.

Another discouraging feature which calls for our consideration is the fact that so little of the amount raised for State Missions is raised in the first ten or eleven months of the year.

If we were more systematic in our contributions to State Missions, it would enable our Treasurer to pay off our missionaries quarterly, thus saving them from embarrassment, and relieve us of a tremendous strain which usually comes on the churches in the last month of the conventional year.

JAMES S. MITCHELL,
A. BASS,
A. E. PEELE.

The report was discussed by J. S. Mitchell and Secretary L. Johnson. The report was adopted.

The roll of churches was called and pledges made for next year.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we, the West Chowan Association, express our appreciation of the recent improvement of the Biblical Recorder in the change from an eight to a sixteen-page paper, and for the excellent quality of paper on which it is printed.

G. P. HARRILL.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the West Chowan Association send Christian greetings and brotherly sympathy to our beloved and suffering brother, M. L. Green, and pray that God's blessings rest upon him.

J. H. EVANS.

The Committee on Time and Place reported: Time, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1903. Place, Buckhorn Baptist Church, Hertford County. To preach the introductory sermon, L. M. Curtis; alternate, J. O. Alderman. The report was adopted.

On motion, R. Sewel, John Mitchell and A. T. Liverman were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

C. W. Mitchell was appointed a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, with T. T. Speight as alternate.

R. D. Cross was elected a member of the State Mission Board. The Association adjourned with benediction by John Mitchell.

THURSDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order at about 10 o'clock and was led in prayer by John Mitchell.

On motion, the report on church statistics was dispensed with.

It was moved and carried that C. W. Scarborough, N. W. Britton and R. D. Cross be appointed a committee to revise the dates of the constitution of our churches and report at the next session of the Association.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to this church and to this community for the magnificent entertainment we have received while here.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH.

The regular order having been changed, W. P. Jordan read the Report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In the book of Revelation, third chapter and eighth verse, we read: "Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it." This was God's message to the church at Philadelphia, and we believe it is no less the message of God to Southern Baptists today with regard to our Foreign Mission work. Our duty to give the Gospel to all the world is as plain and as imperative as the Master could make it. Read our marching order: Mark 16: 15—"And Jesus said unto them" (His disciples), "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." We are glad to believe that the hearts of Southern Baptists are stirred upon the subject of Foreign Missions as never before. There are more intelligent Godly men and women saying "Here am I, send me" than ever before. At the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention the Foreign Mission Board made the most encouraging report that they have made for many

years. All indebtedness was paid, with a small balance in the treasury to start the work on the new year.

During the last conventional year the Foreign Mission Board had under their employ one hundred and fifteen missionaries, with one hundred and seventy-one native assistants, making a working force of two hundred and eighty-six faithful men and women giving the heathens the gospel of the blessed Christ. And besides this, our gospel mission friends have several missionaries at work preaching Christ to the heathens.

During last year Southern Baptists gave to Foreign Missions a little over \$173,000, and during this conventional year we are trying to raise the sum of \$200,000 for this work. The churches in this Association at its last session pledged for this work the sum of \$812. We believe that more than this amount has been paid.

God is surely blessing His work that we are trying to do for Him in the foreign fields. There were more converts and baptisms last year than ever before in one year, numbering 1,439.

Brethren and sisters, by the grace of God, let us do what we can for the Master.

W. P. JORDAN,

For Committee.

C. W. Scarborough read a letter from T. C. Britton, missionary at Soo Chow, China. The letter appears in another place.

The report on Foreign Missions was discussed by W. P. Jordan and Livingston Johnson.

The roll of churches was called and pledges were made for next year. The report was adopted.

The Finance Committee made the following report, which was adopted:

We, your committee, have received and turned over the following amounts to the Treasurer of the Association:

Foreign Missions.....	\$187.98
State Missions	167.05
Home Missions.....	121.45
Education (Ministerial)	54.58
Ministers' Relief Fund.....	5.47
Orphanage	46.55
Minute Fund	78.20
Total	\$661.28

C. R. HARRELL,
T. Q. COPELAND,
H. J. WARD,
Committee.

The report on Home Missions was submitted by R. D. Cross.

HOME MISSIONS.

Ever since the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845 we have had the Home Mission Board, whose business it has

been to lead in the evangelization of our Southland where there were no State Boards, and to supplement and strengthen the work where these boards are not strong enough to meet the demands. This work has been blessed of the Lord till we have three millions of Baptists, white and colored—by far the strongest Baptist body in the world as to numbers. Last year we expended one hundred thousand dollars—not more than one-fifth of our real need.

As arguments for more aggressive work, I produce the following:

I. The pressing need of our own Southland.

1. The need in general is shown by the contrast now and when the Convention was formed in 1845. Then there were eight millions of people in our Southland, six millions of responsible souls; and there were one and a quarter millions of professed Christians; so there were only four and three-quarter millions of souls without the gospel. But how is it now? Now there are twenty-five millions of people, twenty millions of responsible ones, and in twenty-five years we will have fifty millions; and we have in all only eight millions of professed Christians. So we have not kept pace with the population, for now there are twelve millions of people in our Southland to be reached with the gospel.

2. The need of the particular fields.

(1) Mountain region. We have in our bounds a mountain country 750 miles long and 250 miles wide, containing two millions of people of the purest blood in our land. These are our own people; they are evangelized and hold to the Bible as God's book; but they greatly need the development that comes from Christian schools and a strong, educated ministry. The Board is aiding thirteen schools—eight of them in North Carolina.

(2) Frontier work. This is work west of the Mississippi River, in Texas, Arkansas, Indian Territory and Oklahoma. We have here as fine territory as there is in the world, 1,000 miles long and 500 miles wide, inhabited by our own people. This is the newest and greatest country in our land; but the need is great and the progress wonderful; so if we will take it for God, these people will be received and soon become a power for good in the world.

(3) Foreigners. There are four millions of German, Frenchmen, Italians and others in our Southland, whom God has sent to our doors. They are here with their foreign ideas; so if we do not evangelize them, their souls will be lost, for the responsibility is upon us; and they will foreignize us. Not much has been done for them, but the need is great.

(4) Cities. We have such cities as Baltimore, Washington, New Orleans, St. Louis, Memphis and Louisville. The work here is so pressing that these States cannot meet the demands, for the Baptists are weak in most of these States.

(5) Negroes. There are eight or nine millions of these—one-third of our population—in the South, to be an incubus and a curse if they are not lifted by the risen Christ. Not much is

being done for these, but the responsibility is upon us, and we cannot shift it.

(6) Cuba. These people have political freedom, but now the four western provinces, most of the island, are dependent upon us to give them eternal life.

II. The relation and importance of Home Missions to world-wide salvation. Evangelizing our own Southland lies at the foundation of evangelizing the world.

1. It is the basis for men. When a foreigner is put on fire with the gospel, he is interested in his people. The same is true with the mountain boy.

2. Then it is the basis for money. If these do not go to their people they will be interested in them and give money for them. As we strengthen the stakes, we lengthen the cords.

3. Then this is true because of our number and orthodoxy. Three-fifths of the Baptists of the world are in our Southland; the people are at our doors, and the Lord's command to give the gospel to the world is upon us. We have the numbers—are responsible. Then we hold the purest orthodoxy—we Baptists believe it; so here is the obligation of giving the saving truth to a perishing world.

III. Recommendations.

1. That we, as pastors, prepare ourselves on this subject and endeavor to realize the magnitude and importance of the work that we may instruct and lead the people.

2. That we procure and distribute literature on this subject, such as tracts and the Home Field, and induce the people to read and inform themselves, that they may sympathize, pray for the work, and do their duty.

3. Since the need is so great—five thousand dollars would not meet it—that we greatly increase our contributions, that we may put it on a basis with State and Foreign Missions.

R. D. CROSS, For Committee.

The report was discussed by R. D. Cross. The churches were called and pledges made for another year. The report was adopted.

At this point, thirty minutes' time was given to J. W. Bailey and W. F. Fry to speak on Education.

J. T. Williams read the report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute, and it was adopted.

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The Chowan Baptist Female Institute was founded in 1848 as a matter of necessity for our Baptist people and churches. The growth and spread of Baptist principles and the multiplying of Baptist homes and churches and the strength of the denomination in this section of the State and far beyond the borders of this section are largely due to the work for the education of our women by the Institute. The same necessity exists now for its continuance and its support by our people as existed then for its establishment.

Who will deny that the necessity is greater now than it was then? If we will give heed to the signs of the times, and to the trend of educational affairs now, we will realize greater needs pressing on us and greater dangers ahead of us than our fathers saw. We must bestir ourselves to supply the needs and avert the dangers, as our fathers bestirred themselves more than half a century ago to supply the needs as they saw them. The outlook for the Institute is better now than it has been since the beginning of the present administration. The boarding patronage exceeds by a very considerable number any previous session under the present management. Our present boarding capacity is nearly full, and with the present rate of increase it will soon become necessary to enlarge it. Considerable repairing has been done since our last Association, and repairs and improvements are still in progress, and plans are being formulated for thoroughly fitting up and equipping the Institute.

A first-rate system of water-works has been put in, and good water is now supplied by this system on every floor in the building, which adds greatly to the comforts of the inmates and the safety of the buildings. A competent faculty have charge of the work. A prosperous session is now in progress.

Your committee desire to lay the Institute on the hearts and consciences of the Baptists of this Association. We can help to make the school what we wish it to be by taking it on our hearts, praying for its prosperity and broad Christian usefulness. We can give to it prosperity by giving it our sympathies and means and sending to it our daughters to be educated.

J. T. WILLIAMS, For Committee.

The Treasurer submitted his report, as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Received October 30, 1901, at the Association at Capehart's Church, from the Finance Committee:

For Foreign Missions.....	\$131.45
State Missions.....	184.13
Education Board.....	25.20
Home Missions.....	81.62
Ministerial Relief.....	4.42
Orphanage	31.20
Minute Fund.....	73.18
	\$531.20

Disbursements:

Paid L. Johnson for Foreign Missions.....	\$131.45
L. Johnson for S. Missions.....	184.13
L. Johnson for Education.....	25.20
L. Johnson for Home Missions.....	81.62
L. Johnson for Ministerial Relief.....	4.42
L. Johnson for Orphanage.....	31.20
N. W. Britton.....	25.00
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Edwards & Broughton.....	44.00
	\$531.02

Balance on hand 1902.....	.18
Balance on hand 1901.....	.16
Balance on hand October 28, 1902.....	.34

J. M. POWELL, Treasurer.

The report was adopted.

The committee, consisting of L. M. Curtis, A. T. Liverman and the pastor of Sandy Run Church, appointed at the last session of this body to arrange for a suitable monument to the memory of Elder William Burket, was reappointed and requested to report at the next session of the Association.

J. A. Speight read a letter from Miss Fannie Heck. It was ordered that that portion of the letter referring to this Association be put into the minutes.

Having closed the work of a pleasant and profitable session, the Association adjourned with the benediction by Livingston Johnson.

C. W. MITCHELL, Moderator.

N. W. BRITTON, Clerk.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

"Soldiers, forty centuries are looking down upon you!" exclaimed Napoleon as he led his victorious army under the shadow of the pyramids. Much of that spirit seized Chowan Baptists as they assembled with the church at Conaritsa to hold the twentieth session of the West Chowan Association. Truly they are heirs of the ages, and they have a history of which they are justly proud.

The cloud went before Israel to Canaan, and the clouds went before us as we made our way to the church, but, despite rain and mud, a large congregation assembled to hear the annual sermon by Rev. D. Cale. Text, 1 Cor. 9:6,7.

Conaritsa was organized at the home of Robert Rodes by a few members from Sandy Run, then Bertie, one hundred and thirteen years ago. She is one of the five churches in the Association dating back more than a century. Meherrin, Sandy Run, Cashie, Colerain and Conaritsa were formerly members of the Kahukee Association.

Conaritsa is a mother of churches, having contributed to the organization of Aulander, Pleasant Grove, Center Grove and perhaps others. She has enjoyed the labors of honored pastors, and the present happy shepherd, T. T. Speight, seems destined to lead his people yet many years. He and his people have erected a beautiful new church edifice, worthy of this historic place and people.

This was the third Association held with this church. Three persons were present who attended in 1841, and many who were there in 1873. This was a glad, good session. Perhaps 2,500 people were present, and the spirit of the meeting excellent. Never, perhaps, have so many churches enjoyed good revival meetings. Reports show a net gain of 333. Contributions for all objects, \$7,077.91. But this is so small for 9,945 Baptists. One new church was admitted to membership in the Association—Woodland—making fifty in all. This new church was organized the 17th of last June, mainly of members from Hebron and Potecasi, in the town of Woodland.

"Progress" was the motto of this session, and the key-note was struck when considering the claims of Foreign Missions. Many were moved to tears while quietly giving, and again and again pledges were increased. More than one hundred dollars were added after the roll of churches had been called, and an increase of 35 per cent was registered. Whereupon all stood and sang "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow." Home Missions advanced about 35 per cent, and State Missions about 25 per cent. All felt it was good to be there, and many said they had never witnessed such a scene before.

In reviewing the blessings of the past year, we have great cause to go forward in praise to God. Especially should we be grateful that so few of our leaders have fallen in battle this year. But just as the Association closed its session Bro. Henry

Edwards, who was more than fifty years a member and more than forty years a deacon and clerk of Potecasi, closed his earthly mission and went to join the church on high. He was one of the charter members of the little church at Woodland, of which he was a member at the time of his death.

After three days of faithful labor, planning larger things for the coming year, the Association closed the best session in her history, to meet next year with the church at Buckhorn.

Let us labor and pray that the year 1903 may usher in a still greater and more far-reaching revival in scriptural giving and spiritual living.

E. J. HARRELL, Historian.

WOMAN'S MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the West Chowan Association convened in its eighth annual session October 29, 1902, at 1.30 p. m., in the class-room of Connaritsa Baptist Church.

The meeting was opened by an address on "The Growth of Woman's Work in Missions," and followed by an earnest prayer invoking the blessings of God on the Societies and the meeting in session, by Rev. L. Johnson.

The Scripture reading, conducted by Vice-President, Mrs. J. P. Holloman, of which the central thought was, "How Should We Work," was very instructive and helpful to Christian workers.

Poem, "No Souls," was effectively read by Miss Lizzie Mitchell.

The questions, "How to Organize a Sunbeam Band?" and "How to Induce the Boys to Join the Sunbeam Band?" were answered in papers, by Mrs. Wm. G. Freeman, and read by Miss Annie E. Parker.

An urgent request was made by the Vice-President that all the Societies should make a greater effort than ever before, during the remainder of this Conventional year, in order that we may go up to the Convention out of debt; and she urged the Societies to pray more earnestly as well as give—great things can be accomplished only by sincere prayer.

A committee, consisting of Mrs. C. W. Harrell, of Woodland; Mrs. Stephenson, of Elam; Mrs. Curtis, of Ahoskie, and Miss Essie Edwards, of Hebron, appointed to elect an Associational Vice-President as successor to Miss Blanche Vann, resigned, brought forward the name of Miss Anna E. Erikson, of Seaboard, N. C., who was very cordially welcomed. Miss Erikson very feelingly expressed her appreciation of the honor conferred upon her in the Lord's work, and promised with divine aid to fill the position the best she could.

The roll of Societies was then called, and the delegates reported as follows:

Ahoskie	\$32.00
Capeharts	7.44
Hebron	30.95
Mt. Carmel	14.64
Murfreesboro	22.75
Potcasi	27.75
Pleasant Grove	6.23
Rich Square	17.52
Rich Square Sunbeams	5.27
Ross' Church	10.00
Meherrin	11.48
Roanoke	3.20
St. Johns	22.00
Pine Forest	9.98
Woodland	2.58

Elam, represented, no report.

Mt. Tabor, represented, no report.

Total amount contributed, \$223.79.

Meeting adjourned with prayer by Miss Ann E. Erikson.

Mrs. JOHN P. HOLLOMAN,

Associational Vice-President Pro Tem.

Miss ANNIE E. PARKER, Secretary.

Raleigh, N. C., September 24, 1902.

To the West Chowan Association.

Dear Brethren:—Deeming it only due that some report of the work of the Woman's Missionary Societies within your borders be made to your body, I, on behalf of those Societies, respectfully submit the following report:

These Societies are as much a part of the Church work and as closely connected with it as the Sunday-schools. Their reports should be included in the Church's report to the Association just as that of the Sunday-school; hence the present statement.

In this Association there are 47 Societies, which reported from December, 1900-1901, the sum of \$534.65 for Mission objects.

You will note, however, that many churches are still without Societies. As they are of the greatest assistance in spreading the knowledge and interest in Missions not only among the women of the church, but throughout the whole membership, the assistance of the pastors in organization is earnestly invited.

I shall be glad to send to any wishing it a Constitution for such organization, and with it any missionary literature that they may desire.

Very respectfully,

FANNIE E. S. HECK,

President Woman's Central Committee of Missions.

Soochow, China, September 25, 1902.

Dear Brethren and Sisters of the West Chowan Association:—
As I look back over the past year this morning with a view to

writing you a word for the annual meeting, I see many things for which we have reason to be thankful. After having been located here, as the only Baptist missionary family, for twelve and a half years, in May, we were blessed and greatly rejoiced by the arrival of a newly married couple from Virginia to be associated with us in this extensive Soochow field, Brother and Sister C. G. McDaniel. He is a well trained, vigorous, up-to-date, fresh young man, was a pastor in Newport News, Va., for two years before coming to the foreign field. While his wife, in intelligence, devotion to the Master, and in every way, is worthy to stand by his side in the conflicts that await them. It is simply impossible for us to fully express how thankful we are for the coming of these devoted and zealous children of God. They bring new life into this arduous work. And we feel so much better prepared to meet many of the experiences of missionary life with two families than we did while alone. While, of course, their main efforts are now put on the acquisition of the language, they are proving very helpful in the chapel services—especially in the singing and music. And their very presence in the congregation at services and by our side all the time gives not only unspeakably great comfort but real strength. We just thank the Lord for them and hope that you will join us in this thanksgiving, and pray that we may ever be and do what we ought toward each other, and that the Lord may greatly prosper His work that He has given us to do together.

Although our native preacher resigned his connection with us in June, nearly as much preaching has been kept up during the year as before—most of the time from seven to fifteen times a week to the heathen, and church worship on Sunday morning and a weekly prayer meeting and Bible class. A number of trips have also been made to the country, visiting the church members and preaching in the villages. There were three persons added to our church here in the summer, of whom we are especially thankful to say our elder son was one, he being nine and a half years old. Do pray with us, brethren, that these and the other members may repent of all sin and serve the Lord faithfully, and that our other little son, now five years old, and many more of these lost ones may be saved and added to the Lord. How often we are pained by the falls and sinning and delinquencies of the few members that there are! And there is still the surging multitudes that are as sheep without a shepherd. We do so much need your prayers, that we who are here may be made more efficient and that many more laborers may be sent out both from the home land and from among the native Christians!

I want to tell you about the Zangzah work. That is a town thirty-five miles from here. One of our Soochow members lives there with his family. He joined the church here last summer was a year ago, and remained to attend the two weeks daily Bible class that I held at that time. This brother and a number of his fellow citizens rented and prepared quite an ideal place for gospel work about the center of their town, and invited us to go and

preach to them. Our native preacher went several times before he resigned. And when Brother McDaniel and I went in the summer, we found large congregations that remained and seemed to give good attention through the whole service—so different from what it is in the city. On that day a number of them made public profession of faith in Christ. We were there on another Sunday after about two weeks, and preached and taught them until about mid-night, and five or six of them offered themselves for baptism. It has been our custom and that of almost all denominations to be exceedingly cautious about taking in members, often holding them off for a long time. But on our third visit to Zangzah, finding during the services on Sunday that these men were determined on following the Lord in baptism, I baptized seven of them in the canal near by. At that time Mrs. Britton and I stayed nearly a week, she working among the women and I preaching, and teaching the Christians and inquirers. On our last visit there in the summer, we were made sad to learn that one of the members had been taken away by cholera, that dreadful disease that has been prevailing so widely in China and other Eastern countries this year. The other members seemed to be doing well. Our Soochow member is the leader among them. No church has been organized as yet. But they hope to organize before long. We were there last Sunday, and were thankful to see that the interest is still good, and all the baptized persons came except one. We hope to open some stations between here and Zangzah, and to keep up the work there as well as we well can, going perhaps once in two or three weeks. Do also pray for this work, that it may be carried on to the best advantage and greatly prospered.

We were away in Japan six weeks in the summer, and are very glad to be back, trying to embrace every opportunity to preach the kingdom of God and to teach the things concerning Jesus Christ.

We thank the good Lord for the delightful meetings that we hear of having been held within your borders and for the many other blessings that He has bestowed upon you. May He continue to bless you and cause His face to shine upon you and give you peace!

Our greetings to the entire brotherhood.
Your brother in Christ for China,

T. C. BRITTON.

REPORT OF WEST CHOWAN BAPTIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The West Chowan Baptist Sunday-school Convention met in its Thirteenth Annual Session, with Union Baptist Church, Hertford County, August 29, 30, and 31, 1902. Introductory sermon was preached by Russel Owens, of Portsmouth, from John 5:3.

Reorganization resulted in the election of D. W. Britton, President; W. B. Felton, Vice-President; W. L. Davis, Secretary; Edward Miller, Treasurer.

The following committees were announced:

On Digest of Sunday-school Letters—W. R. Raynor, K. R. Maddrey, C. F. Griffin.

On Time and Place and Preachers For Next Session—George Matthews, J. H. Stephenson, Julian B. Brown.

On Practical Subjects for Next Session—L. M. Curtis, W. P. Jordan, Capt. T. D. Boone.

A motion was carried that the Committee on Practical Subjects have the subjects in the hands of the Secretary at least two months before the meeting of the next session of the Convention.

Subjects discussed:

Sunday-schools.—1st. Their past and present progress. Discussed by T. D. Boone. (Other speakers on subject absent.)

2nd. What should be their ideal of progress, power and spirituality in this century? Discussed by B. W. Spilman.

3rd. What part should they take in giving the Gospel to all the world in the twentieth century? Discussed by R. D. Cross.

Can a church member live a consistent Christian life without attending Sunday-school? Discussed by G. P. Harrell, R. P. Thomas.

Good Teaching.—1st. The teacher. Discussed by A. W. Earley, C. G. Powell.

2nd. The teacher's preparation of the lesson, and for the lesson. Discussed by L. M. Curtis.

3rd. The teacher before the class. Discussed by B. W. Spilman, J. C. Scarborough.

4th. Question Box. Answers by B. W. Spilman.

Sunday sermon by W. P. Jordan.

The next session of the Sunday-school Convention meets with Hebron Church in Northampton County, Friday, before the fifth Sunday in August, 1903. To preach the Introductory Sermon, John Mitchell; alternate, T. T. Speight.

D. W. BRITTON, President.

W. L. DAVIS, Secretary.

PLEDGES FOR NEXT YEAR.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.
Ahoskie	\$40 00	\$55 00	\$15 00	\$12 00
Aulander	40 00	35 00	25 00	20 00
Bethlehem	35 00	40 00	21 00	15 00
Bethany	10 50	10 50	5 50	2 00
Brantley's Grove	17 00	13 00	12 00	3 00
Buckhorn	45 00	50 00	20 00	25 00
Capeheart	35 00	30 00	15 00	5 00
Cashie	40 00	35 00	20 00	15 00
Center Grove	25 00	25 00	15 00	7 00
Chowan	50 00	50 00	20 00	15 00
Christian Harbor	5 00	6 00	6 00	1 00
Colerain	40 00	30 00	12 50	7 00
Connaritsa	25 00	25 00	20 00	10 00
Creeksville	10 00	12 00	2 00	2 00
Elam	25 00	15 00	10 00	5 00
Galatia	18 00	16 00	8 00	5 00
Green's X Roads	15 00	10 00	10 00	2 00
Harrellsville	26 00	20 00	12 00	5 00
Hillside	3 50	7 00	3 50	2 00
Hebron	20 00	20 00	13 00	5 00
Holly Grove	15 00	12 00	7 00	8 00
Jackson	18 00	20 00	17 00	5 00
Kelford	20 00	15 00	15 00	3 00
Lawrence's X Roads	10 00	18 00	5 00	3 00
Lewiston	15 00	15 00	12 00	7 00
Margarettsville	10 00	10 00	10 00	5 00
Mars Hill	75 00	25 00	30 00	5 00
Meherrin	15 00	20 00	13 00	2 00
Mt. Carmel	20 00	20 00	10 00	5 00
Mt. Tabor	25 00	25 00	10 00	5 00
Murfreesboro	25 00	25 00	20 00	10 00
Oak Grove	6 00	6 00	6 00	2 00
Pine Forest	5 00	5 00	3 00	-----
Potocasi	25 00	25 00	20 00	10 00
Pleasant Grove	22 50	20 00	16 00	10 00
Republican	25 00	25 00	12 00	7 00
Rich Square	20 00	25 00	15 00	4 00
Roanoke	9 00	10 00	4 00	2 00
Robert's Chapel	55 00	50 00	30 00	15 00
Roquist	6 00	5 00	6 00	2 00
Ross	30 00	30 00	12 50	5 00
Sandy Run	30 00	30 00	20 00	10 00
Seaboard	10 00	15 00	11 00	5 00
Siloam	2 00	3 00	2 00	2 00
Severn	25 00	15 00	15 00	6 00
St. John's	17 00	12 00	8 00	3 00
Union	20 00	30 00	20 00	10 00
Winton	15 00	15 00	12 00	10 00
Woodland	10 00	10 00	10 00	5 00

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	No. Schools.	Superintendents and their Post-Offices.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.
oskie	1	J. S. Matthews	11	121	132			12	76
lander	1	A. W. Farley, Aulander	8	120	128	75	40	12	80
blehem	1	R. P. Thomas, Bethlehem	14	81	95	140	120	9	61
hany	1	M. W. Perry, Branning	9	85	94	50	40	8	45
intley's Grove	1	B. F. Barham, Ahoskie	10	119	109	47	117	9	56
ckborn	1	R. A. Magette, Como	9	65	74		30	12	48
ehart	1	H. J. Ward, Evansville	6	52	58	50		7	40
shie	2	Thomas Gillam, Wind-or	10	125	135	25	195	12	80
nter Grove	1	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie	9	122	131		100	9	72
owan	1	W. P. Taylor, Winton	9	60	69		100	12	50
ristian Harbor	1	J. W. Holloman, Harrellsville	8	78	86		78	12	51
erain	3	G. M. Matthews, Colerain	21	179	200		95	10	112
nnaritsa	1	J. P. Slade, Aulander	11	70	81	60		6	55
ezsville	1	J. W. Britton, Creeksville	12	96	108			12	65
m	6	W. C. Cook, Garysburg	8	52	60			9	30
latia	1	J. W. Rose, Margarettsville	11	66	77	25		12	60
en's X Roads	1	G. W. Castellow, Windsor	10	100	110			12	50
rrrellsville	2	Dorsey Taylor, Harrellsville	13	149	162	36	40	12	90
bron	1	J. D. Gatling, Woodland	9	51	60	50	2	12	40
lside									
lly Grove	1	F. E. Myers, Askewville	7	29	36			6	29
ckson	1	B. S. Gay, Jackson	9	50	59	55	90	12	38
lford	1	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford	9	130	139	12	30	12	62
wrence's X Roads									
wiston	1	J. A. Modlin, Lewiston	9	79	88		36	12	50
rgarettsville	1	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville	6	18	24	38	100	12	15
rs Hill		J. W. Green, Rosemead	9	98	107	44	120	9	80
herrin	1	W. S. Nelson, Murfreesboro	12	75	87	50	25	12	55
Carmel	1	T. J. Stephenson, Seaboard	12	101	113	84		12	66
Tabor	1	J. P. Boyette, Mapleton	12	80	92	96		12	60
rfreesboro	1	D. A. Day, Murfreesboro	13	100	113	155	175	12	71
r Grove	1	A. E. Saunders, Aulander	8	65	73			9	40
ie Forest									
ecasi	1	C. R. Harrell, Potecasi	10	90	100			12	80
asant Grove	1	J. W. Vaughan, Aulander	8	66	74	50	80	6	42
ublican	2	Levi Hoggard, Drew	9	120	129	50	95	9	55
h Square	1		7	80	87		113	12	25
anoke	1	W. J. Lassiter, Lasker	5	50	55				21
quist									
bert's Chapel	6	B. F. Martin, Conway	12	145	157	148	145	12	86
ss		Worley Cowan, Winsor	40	270	310				
dy Run	2	John E. Peele, Roxobel	18	140	158	351	12	12	85
board	1	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard	9	50	59	135	20	12	30
am									
ern	1	J. H. Tyler, Severn	16	92	108		95	12	60
John's	1	J. D. Earley, St. John's	7	101	108	101		9	45
ion	1	A. C. Vann, Union	11	63	74	20	40	12	47
nton	1	J. S. Mitchell, Winton	12	95	107	50	110	12	60
odland	1	C. H. Griffin, Woodland	7	77	84			12	70
Total	58		475	3,945	4,420	1,997	2,233		2,423

MISSIONARY SOCIETY STATISTICS.

Churches.	Presidents and their Post-Offices.	Cor. Secretaries and Post-Offices.	Numbers. Officers.	Numbers. Members.	Total.
Ahoskie.....	Mrs. T. H. Overton, Ahoskie.....	Miss Dora Newsome, Ahoskie.....	3	27	30
Aulander.....	Pauline A. Mitche', Aulander.....	Mrs. J. C. Farley, Aulander.....	6	10	16
Buckhorn.....	Mrs. Josephine Vann, Cono.....	Miss Tena Pict, Cono.....	3	26	29
Bethany.....	Enolia M. Perry, Colerane.....	Eunice Outlaw, Branning.....	3	72	75
Brantley's Grove.....	Julia A. Green, Ahoskie.....	Julia Lewis, Ahoskie.....	4	65	69
Chowan.....	Mrs. J. P. Freeman, Winton.....	M. S. H. B. Vaun, Winton.....	6	29	35
Christian Harbor.....	W. I. Lloyd, Harrellsville.....	Nora Saunders, Harrellsville.....	4	57	61
Creekville.....	Mary E. Lassiter, Creekville.....	Bessie M. Davis, Creekville.....	5	51	56
Capehart's.....	Miss Atha J. Baker, Evansville.....	Miss Annie E. Ward, Evansville.....	3	24	27
Elam.....	Mrs. Eunice L. Stephenson, Garysburg.....	Mrs. Clara V. Wheeler, Garysburg.....	3	28	31
Gre-n's Cross Roads.....	Martha Castellow, Lewiston.....	Victoria Castellow, Windsor.....	4	50	54
Guatia.....	Mrs. M. J. Taylor, Seaboard.....	Birta Taylor, Marvatisville.....	3	43	46
Harrellsville.....	Mrs. J. M. Powell, Harrellsville.....	Lillian Askew, Harrellsville.....	3	16	19
Hony Grove.....	Elia R. Taylor, Powellsville.....	Miss Mabel Vaughan, Woodland.....	4	32	36
Hebron.....	Miss Essie Edwards, Menola.....	Miss Lillie Spencer, Jackson.....	4	26	30
Jackson.....	Mrs. Sallie Calvert, Jack-on.....	Annie Williams, Merry Hill.....	4	28	32
Lawrence's Cross Roads.....	Annie E. Williams, Sans Souci.....	Pauline Bridges, Lewiston.....	4	60	64
Lewiston.....	Miss Annie Barnes, Lewiston.....	Miss Naomi Wiggins, Mapleton.....	3	27	30
Mt. Carmel.....	Miss Sallie Beale, Murfreesboro.....	Miss Katie Pruden, Seaboard.....	4	50	54
Murfreesboro.....	Miss Bettie McGaughey, Seaboard.....	Miss Helen Watson, Murfreesboro.....	6	82	88
Meherrin.....	Miss Lucy F. Boone, Murfreesboro.....	Maggie M. Nelson, Murfreesboro.....	8	53	66
Pleasant Grove.....	Winnie J. Nelson, Murfreesboro.....	Mrs. Johnnie Jobe, St. John's.....	5	19	24
Potest.....	Miss Mary Britton, Easleytown.....	Miss Rosa Bangham, Potest.....	4	73	77
Pine Forest.....	Mrs. Mollie Harrell, Potest.....	Mrs. W. E. Carstarphen, Garysburg.....	3	3	3
Roberts Chapel.....	J. Paul Bowers, Littleton.....	Winnie D. Edwards, Pendleton.....	4	68	72
Ross.....	Mrs. V. A. Stephenson, Pendleton.....	Willie Powell, Askewville.....	4		
Seaboard.....	Ro-a White, Askewville.....	Mrs. J. T. Maddrey, Seaboard.....	2	12	14
St. Johns.....	Lucia A. Britton, St. Johns.....	Thel Brett, St. John's.....	2	67	69
Winton.....	V. L. Ward, Winton.....	Mrs. Iola Jones, Winton.....	5	50	55
Woodland.....	Mrs. Cattie Griffin, Woodland.....	Miss Hettie Blanchard, Woodland.....	5	26	31
			117	1,176	1,293

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

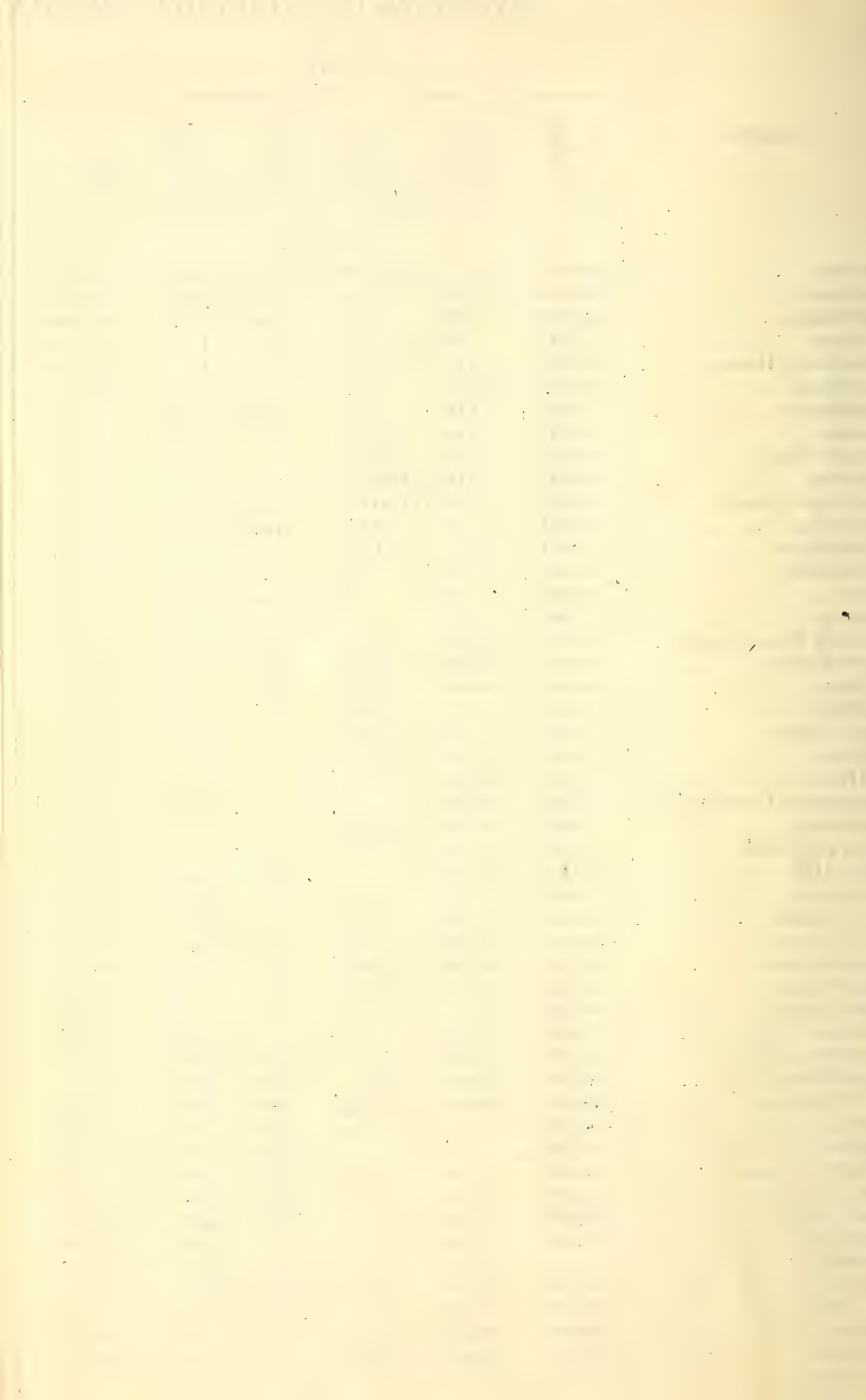
Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Preacher of the Introductory Sermon	Texts.
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.	R. P. Thomas	W. C. Parker	D. A. Woodson	Rom. i. 16.
1884	Roberts' Chapel, Northampton Co.	do	do	J. D. Hufham	Acts xx. 24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Psalm xvi. 8.
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Heb. xiii. i.
1887	Winton, Hertford Co.	do	do	B. B. Williams	Acts xx. 35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.	do	do	M. L. Green	Gal. vi. 10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do	do	T. T. Speight	Gal. vi. 10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Rom. viii. i.
1891	Union, Hertford Co.	do	do	T. G. Wood	Habakuk ii. 15.
1892	Mt. Carmel, Northampton Co.	do	do	Braxton Craig	Num. xiii. 30.
1893	Colerain, Bertie Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Col. ii. 10.
1894	Mt. Tabor, Hertford Co.	do	do	A. Cree	Col. i. 28.
1895	Sandy Run, Bertie Co.	do	do	J. B. Boone	Rom. xv. i, 2, 3.
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	R. D. Cross	Eph. i. 17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	J. C. Scarborough	do	McKaughan	Acts v. 29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.	do	do	W. P. Jordan	Rom. v. 8; viii. 32.
1899	Ahoskie, Hertford Co.	do	do	J. A. Speight	Joel iii. 14, 15, 16.
1900	Potecasi, Northampton Co.	C. W. Mitchell	N. W. Britton	R. D. Cross	Gal. vi. 14.
1901	Capehart, Bertie Co.	do	do	G. P. Harrill	Heb. iv. 6.
1902	Conaritsa, Bertie Co.	do	do	D. Cale	2 Cor. ix. 6, 7.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches.	Location and Date of Constitution.	Received.				Loss.				During Year.		Membership.			Pastors and Post-Offices.	Clerks and Post-Offices.	Sabbaths of Preaching.
		Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Total.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Total.	Gain	Loss	Males.	Females.	Total.			
Ahoskie	Hertford Co., 1812.	11	10	1	22	15			17	5		116	193	309	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.	T. J. Vann, Ahoskie.	2d and 4th.
Aulander	Bertie Co., 1886.	7	1	1	9	7	1	1	12		1	99	131	230	John Mitchell, Heslona.	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander.	2d and 4th.
Bethlehem	Hertford Co., 1835.		1	2	3	6			13		10	86	118	204	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.	A. B. Adkins, Bethlehem.	
Berthany	Bertie Co., 1881.		1	1	2	4	1	1	2	7		89	100	189	S. B. Barnes, Branning.	W. W. Perry, Branning.	1st.
Brantley's Grove.	Hertford Co., 1877.	1			6	8			14		9	56	83	139	S. B. Barnes, Branning.	W. J. Cowan, Coffield.	2d.
Buckhorn	Hertford Co., 1837.				5	3			8			114	116	230	C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.	S. P. Cribborne, Como.	2d and 4th.
Capehart's	Bertie Co., 1824.	8		3	16	1			9			123	180	303	J. O. Alderman, Windsor.	H. J. Ward, Evansville.	2d.
Cashie	Bertie Co., 1778.	1	9	1	11	1			13		12	113	159	272	J. O. Alderman, Windsor.	D. E. Modlin, Windsor.	
Center Grove.	Bertie Co., 1897.	8	9	2	19				12			82	87	169	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.	2d.
Chowan	Hertford Co., 1895.	4	9		13	8		1	9	4		35	53	88	T. G. Wood, Aulander.	T. D. Boone, Winton.	1st and 3d.
Christian Harbor.	Hertford Co., 1881.			2	2	4		1	5	3		52	71	123	M. L. Green, Ahoskie.	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville.	2d.
Coleraine	Bertie Co., 1780.	31	5		39	6			20	29		124	172	296	W. P. Jordan, Coleraine.	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine.	3d.
Connaritisa	Bertie Co., 1789.		5		12	4	6	8	18		6	125	210	365	T. T. Speight, Lewiston.	A. J. Dunning, Aulander.	3d.
Creeksville	Northampton Co., 1892.	6	2	1	9	1			2	7		51	55	106	D. Cale, Potocasi.	W. H. Davis, Creeksville.	
Elam	Northampton Co., 1844.	12	2	3	17	3	1	3	7	10		71	149	220	D. Cale, Potocasi.	R. J. Hancock, Seaboard.	1st.
Galatia	Northampton Co., 1859.	10	9		19	4			8	11		112	141	253	D. Cale, Potocasi.	W. H. Allen, Seaboard.	2d.
Green's Cross Roads.	Bertie Co., 1874.	13	7	2	22	7			9	13		88	109	197	W. P. Jordan, Coleraine.	G. W. Castellow, Windsor.	2d.
Harrellsville	Hertford Co., 1875.	17	4	1	22	1		3	11	11		67	74	141	J. A. Speight, Berkley, Va.	D. Taylor, Harrellsville.	3d.
Hebron	Northampton Co., 1856.	11	4	3	18	48			53		35	117	149	266	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	J. K. Revel, Livernam.	3d.
Hillside	Bertie Co., 1885.		1		1	3			4			25	31	56	S. B. Barnes, Branning.	J. F. Whodbee, Quitsna.	
Holly Grove.	Bertie Co., 1804.	14	8	2	24	2			22			70	81	151	S. F. Bristow, Aulander.	J. H. Bowen, Powellsville.	1st.
Jackson	Northampton Co., 1882.	8	1		9	1	1	1	3	6		40	53	93	R. D. Cross, Jackson.	Edwin Wright, Jackson.	1st.
Kelford	Bertie Co., 1898.	14	2	2	18	3		2	5	13		35	42	77	T. T. Speight, Lewiston.	W. J. Parker, Kelford.	2d.
Lawrence's Cross Roads.	Bertie Co., 1874.	7	3		10	10			12		12	91	102	193	S. B. Barnes, Branning.	J. R. Phelps, Sans Souci.	3d.
Lewiston	Bertie Co., 1883.	6	6	1	13	7	8	5	20			72	87	159	T. G. Wood, Aulander.	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston.	4th.
Margarettsville	Northampton Co., 1889.		1	1	2				2			26	25	51	R. D. Cross, Jackson.	A. S. Edwards, Margarettsville.	3d.
Marys Hill.	Bertie Co., 1854.	12	7	5	24	8	5	4	17			169	174	343	W. P. Jordan, Coleraine.	B. W. Lee, Rosemead.	4th.
McLerrin	Hertford Co., 1773.	32	4	7	43	7		8	15	28		173	196	369	J. A. Speight, Berkley, Va.	O. Parker, Murfreesboro.	4th.
Mt. Carmel.	Northampton Co., 1826.	15	2	5	22	1	2		3	19		74	107	181	R. D. Cross, Jackson.	R. D. B. Maddrey, Seaboard.	4th.
Mt. Tabor.	Hertford Co., 1839.	15	2	5	22	10	1	9	20			125	153	278	G. P. Harrill, Murfreesboro.	J. D. Gatling, Mapleton.	1st and 3d.
Murfreesboro	Hertford Co., 1842.	1	4		5	5	1	3	9		4	39	61	100	G. P. Harrill, Murfreesboro.	W. G. Freeman, Murfreesboro.	2d and 4th.
Oak Grove.	Hertford Co., 1894.	6	5	3	14	3	6	2	11	3		51	57	108	T. T. Speight, Lewiston.	S. E. Marsh, Aulander.	3d.
Pine Forest.	Northampton Co., 1888.														J. R. Cullum, Wake Forest.	J. R. Carrstaphen, Garysburg.	2d.
Potocasi	Northampton Co., 1808.	28	14	2	44	35	3	2	40	4		147	186	337	R. D. Cross, Jackson.	E. B. Lassiter, Aulander.	4th.
Pleasant Grove.	Hertford Co., 1837.	30	6	11	47	15			19	28		99	158	257	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	J. W. Vaughan, Aulander.	4th.
Republican	Bertie Co., 1803.	41	5	6	52	8	2	3	13	39		156	224	380	S. F. Bristow, Aulander.	Levi Hoggard, Drew.	2d.
Rich Square.	Northampton Co., 1854.	19	9	3	31	14	2	4	20	11		94	116	210	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	J. T. Bolton, Bryantown.	2d.
Rosnoke	Northampton Co., 1885.	1			1				2		1	40	61	101	J. C. Mizell, Merry Hill.	B. C. Lassiter, Lasker.	4th.
Roquist	Bertie Co., 1878.		1		1				1			38	40	78	M. L. Green, Ahoskie.	W. A. Tadlock, Windsor.	2d.
Roberts' Chapel.	Northampton Co., 1848.	17	5	4	26	28	4	3	35		9	159	244	403	C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.	H. D. Stephenson, Pendleton.	1st and 3d.
Ross'	Bertie Co., 1804.	57	2	12	71	10		5	17	54		300	425	725	T. T. Speight, Lewiston.	W. D. White, Windsor.	4th.
Sandy Run.	Bertie Co., 1750.	29	12	2	43	3	5	4	12	31		115	168	283	J. O. Alderman, Windsor.	G. H. Barnes, Roxobel.	4th.
Seaboard	Northampton Co., 1889.	2	2		4	8		1	3			44	71	115	D. Cale, Potocasi.	R. T. Stephenson, Seaboard.	3d.
Siloam		4			4	8	4		12		8	28	32	60	B. Loggett, Windsor.	Lee Bond, Windsor.	
Seyern	Northampton Co., 1896.		12	1	13		1		1	12		64	51	115	D. Cale, Potocasi.	W. H. Howell, Severn.	1th.
St. John's.	Hertford Co., 1883.	12	4	3	19	3		2	7	12		67	75	142	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	J. T. Britton, St. John's.	1st.
Union	Hertford Co., 1885.	17	3	4	24	7	12	3	22			77	84	162	T. G. Wood, Aulander.	John Freeman, Union.	2d.
Winton	Hertford Co., 1873.	5	10	2	17	7		1	10			80	84	164	J. A. Speight, Berkley, Va.	V. L. Ward, Winton.	4th.
Woodland	Northampton Co., 1902.	28	2		30	5			5	25		54	44	98	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	C. J. Vaughan, Woodland.	
Total		570	228	103	901	351	108	108	572			4282	5392	9879			

EXPENSES OF CHURCHES, SUNDAY-SCHOOLS AND MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Churches.	Church.					Sunday-School.					Missionary Society.					Total Expenses of Churches in all Departments.	
	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses	Repairs to Buildings and Grounds.	Poor Fund.	Minute Fund.	Total.	Incidental Expenses.	Cost of Papers and Quar-teries.	Cost of Books.	Poor Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.	Incidental Expenses.	Cost of Literature.	Cost of Cor-respondence.		Total.
Acie	\$350.00	\$75.00	\$325.00		\$3.00	\$753.00		\$17.77	\$8.75		\$1.20	\$27.72				\$135.00	\$780.72
ander	250.00	48.00	33.50	\$15.00	2.00	348.50							\$135.00				483.50
ndean	300.00	24.00	509.50	12.50	2.00	848.00		15.00	4.00			19.00					867.00
nday	115.00	7.50			1.50	124.00		2.35	5.00			7.35					131.35
nday's Grove.	100.00	15.05	10.00	4.45	1.50	131.60	\$3.15	21.14			10.99	35.28					166.88
ndorn	325.00	329.00			2.00	656.00		11.40				11.40					186.55
ndphart's	150.00	14.00	9.96	7.60	2.00	183.56		2.83				2.83			.16	.16	541.58
ndr	400.00	75.00		9.74	2.50	487.24	28.79	25.55				54.34					240.00
ndr Grove.	125.00	16.00	70.00		2.00	213.00		20.00			7.00	27.00					2,418.85
ndu	300.00	40.00	2,030.50		1.50	2,371.50	8.75	27.30			7.67	43.72		2.95	.68	3.63	1,119.08
nduan Harbor.	89.50	12.00	1,000.00	2.05	1.00	1,104.55		14.06				14.06	.47			.47	203.53
nduine	150.00	1.35	2.89	30.00	2.00	185.34	6.85	11.34				18.19					313.07
nduaritsa	175.00	39.73	84.00	15.34	2.50	307.57		2.50	3.00			5.50					100.00
ndville	65.00	18.00	3.00		1.10	87.10	1.00	6.40	5.50			12.90					117.59
ndv	100.00	6.00		7.00	1.35	114.35		3.24				3.24					150.38
ndv	125.00	10.75		5.63	1.50	142.88		6.50	1.00			7.50					144.25
ndv's Cross Roads.	125.00	3.00	4.00		.50	132.50		8.00	1.50		2.25	11.75					452.65
ndv'sville	150.00	60.00	200.00	12.50	1.55	424.05	6.12	18.28	4.20			28.60					205.25
ndv	150.00	40.00	2.25	4.50	2.00	198.75		6.25			.25	6.50					121.75
ndv	60.00		61.00		.75	121.75						2.97					215.86
ndv's Grove.	115.00	10.00	86.69		1.50	213.19		2.67				46.30					222.30
ndv	150.00	25.00			1.00	176.00	21.00	25.00	.30			32.68					200.73
ndv	150.00	6.55	100.00		1.50	258.05	1.05	30.38	1.35								142.00
ndv's Cross Roads.	125.00	16.00			1.20	142.20		14.20				27.94					208.11
ndv	175.00	25.00	100.00		1.50	301.50	.85	27.09				2.20					329.44
ndv'sville	75.00	12.00			.75	87.75		2.20				5.52					89.95
ndv's Hill	152.45	35.58		12.56	2.00	202.53		3.00	2.52			22.85					237.71
ndv	150.00	39.31		23.05	2.50	214.86		22.85				30.97					198.07
ndv	150.00	15.00	1.00		2.00	168.00	1.37	10.90	15.40		3.30	18.16					306.48
ndv's Taber.	250.00	20.00	1.50	15.32	1.50	288.32	1.60	12.36	4.20			33.93			.32	.32	329.35
ndv's Threshoro	250.00	45.70	7.90		1.50	305.10		32.79			1.14	12.00					133.32
ndv's Grove.	75.00	28.75	14.70	2.37	.50	121.32		10.00			2.00						100.25
ndv's Forest.	100.00				.25	100.25						11.75	1.00			1.00	254.75
ndv's	200.00	40.00			2.00	242.00		11.75				6.00					179.95
ndv's	150.00	15.00	5.20	1.65	2.00	173.95		6.00				73.12					248.86
ndv's Grove.	150.00	10.00	2.44	10.80	2.50	175.74	58.02	9.30		\$5.80		22.00					278.00
ndv's	150.00	50.00	50.00	5.00	1.00	256.00		16.00	6.00			5.00					93.00
ndv's Square.	75.00	10.00			2.00	88.00											105.75
ndv's	100.00				.75	105.75						15.97					471.72
ndv's	400.00	42.14	1.56	9.05	3.00	455.75		15.97				7.03					247.58
ndv's Chapel.	200.00	23.50	3.11	10.94	3.00	240.55	4.00	16.32	1.20		3.03	24.06					265.82
ndv's	200.00	22.46		17.30	2.00	241.76	6.54	12.00				12.00					158.00
ndv's Run.	200.00				1.00	146.00		12.00									1.00
ndv's	125.00	20.00			1.00	146.00											251.25
ndv's	150.00	25.00	31.00	15.00	1.50	222.50	.75	17.40	10.00			28.75					118.25
ndv's	100.00	12.00			1.25	113.25		4.20	.80			5.00					465.67
ndv's John's.	200.00	40.22	208.00		1.50	449.72		7.26		5.69		69.25					615.82
ndv's	250.00	36.00	259.07		1.50	546.57		10.25	9.00		50.00	16.50					18.00
ndv's					1.50	1.50		7.00	2.50	2.00	5.00						
ndv's Woodland																	
Total	3,971.95	1,450.19	5,217.97	256.35	78.45	14,976.66	149.74	532.50	86.22	134.49	96.83	878.78	136.47	2.95	1.16	140.58	15,995.27



FINANCIAL TABLE.—CHURCH BENEVOLENCE.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions	Ministerial Education.	Centennial Fund.	Sunday-School Board.	Orphanage	Chowan Institute	Ministers' Relief Board.	Poor Outside of Church.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.	Total.
Athoskie.....	\$35.00	\$52.00	\$17.00	\$10.00			\$10.75						\$124.75
Aulander.....	40.00	35.00	25.00	20.00	\$200.00	\$36.00	80.00						436.00
Behlheim.....	30.00	40.00	20.00	15.00			21.00	\$60.00	\$5.25		\$5.00	\$25.50	221.75
Bethany.....	12.30	13.65	5.00	2.00			7.48		2.00				42.43
Brantley's Grove.....	11.00	12.50	11.00				4.25					8.02	46.77
Buckhorn.....	40.00	45.00	15.00	25.00			35.00			5.19			165.19
Capelhart's.....	47.95	27.45	8.32	5.00			17.51			6.11	20.00		132.34
Cashie.....	5.33	9.18	9.76	5.37	30.00		148.55		3.34		3.46	15.00	229.99
Center Grove.....	20.00	25.00	15.00	7.00								12.00	79.00
Chowan.....	13.19	27.55	9.61	10.00			61.95		5.00		14.75	25.00	167.05
Christian Harbor.....		1.00	1.15	1.05			23.56						26.76
Coleraine.....	41.00	30.00	12.00	5.00			32.15	21.00			35.00		176.15
Connaritsa.....	25.00	25.00	15.00	10.00									75.00
Creeksville.....	4.00	5.00	1.00										10.00
Elm.....	20.00	13.00	6.00	5.00								13.21	59.31
Galatia.....	11.00	15.00	7.00	5.00			4.40	12.75		\$14.25	20.77	39.00	120.17
Green's Cross Roads.....	12.00	8.50	10.00	2.00			10.00					10.58	53.08
Harrellsville.....	10.00	15.00	12.00	3.00	169.00		130.00						330.00
Hebron.....	15.00	20.00	15.00	5.00			10.20					5.00	116.20
Hillside.....	3.25	7.00	3.25				2.26		1.65				17.41
Holly Grove.....	10.00	10.00	5.00	8.00			4.20			2.75	10.00		49.95
Jackson.....	15.00	20.00	15.00	5.00	73.50					5.00	53.50		187.00
Kelford.....	10.00	10.00	10.58				11.50			8.00	3.00		56.08
Lawrence's Cross Roads.....	6.00	17.00	4.00	3.00			7.67					44.71	82.38
Lewiston.....	10.00	12.00	10.00	5.00			5.88					4.07	46.95
Margarettsville.....	10.00	10.46	3.00	3.00	33.00							10.76	70.32
Mars Hill.....	77.65	31.10	33.67	5.00			60.85	91.00	4.10		34.00		337.37
McMorris.....	15.00	20.00	13.00	2.00							2.00		52.00
Mt. Carmel.....	15.00	18.00	7.50	6.00	50.00							15.00	111.50
Mt. Tabor.....	20.00	25.00	10.00	5.00		2.00	6.80				20.00		59.93
Murfreesboro.....	25.00	25.00	15.00	17.50			19.85					21.95	124.30
Oak Grove.....	5.00	6.00	5.00	2.00			5.00					6.58	29.58
Pine Forest.....	5.00	5.00	3.00	5.00									18.00
Potcass.....	25.00	25.00	15.00	10.00	80.00		12.00					20.00	187.00
Pleasant Grove.....	20.00	20.00	15.00	10.00			8.64			3.50	5.91		83.05
Republican.....	20.00	25.00	11.00	5.00			5.82		3.48	7.09		27.44	104.83
Rich Square.....	12.50	20.00	10.00	3.50								4.00	46.00
Roanoke.....	8.00	10.00	2.00								4.00		24.00
Roquist.....	5.00	5.00	5.00				5.43				5.00		30.00
Roberts' Chapel.....	50.00	60.00	25.00	15.00			11.15		2.50		29.00	27.56	205.57
Ross.....	31.00	35.00	26.00	10.00			48.96	64.75	5.47		5.00	14.00	213.18
Sandy Run.....	30.00	25.00	15.00	5.00			2.00				2.00	24.00	68.00
Seaboard.....	10.00	15.00	10.00	5.00									
Siloam.....										25.45			135.20
Seyern.....	12.00	21.50	10.00	7.25	59.00							9.58	43.58
St. John's.....	10.00	12.00	5.00	3.00			4.00				2.50		77.50
Union.....	15.00	30.00	20.00	10.00							11.94	22.10	87.86
Winton.....	15.00	15.00	10.00	10.00			3.62						4.93
Woodland.....	3.53	1.40											
Total.....	883.17	964.89	531.84	295.67	694.50	38.00	821.93	249.50	32.79	59.29	222.38	645.73	5,414.12

FINANCIAL TABLE.—SUNDAY-SCHOOL B'NEVOLENCE.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sunday-School Board.	Orphanage.	Chowan Institute.	Minister-Rec'd Board.	Poor Outside of School.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie		\$5.00			\$2.82	\$60.00						\$67.82
Aulander												
Bethlehem						36.11			\$1.00			37.11
Bethany												
Brantley's Grove												
Buckhorn						29.96						29.96
Capelhart's										\$2.00		2.00
Cashie						50.61				5.00		55.61
Center Grove						15.00					\$2.00	17.00
Chowan				\$1.00	4.22				4.66	10.00		19.88
Christian Harbor										26.31		26.31
Coleraine		2.50				7.50				3.00		13.00
Connarissa												
Creeksville												
Flam	.63		.63			9.44						10.70
Galatia												
Green's Cross Roads					4.75					3.03		7.78
Harrellsville						30.00				5.00		35.00
Hobron						2.75				3.33		6.08
Hillside												
Holly Grove						3.00				2.00		5.00
Jackson						8.75						8.75
Kelford		2.00				8.24				2.92		13.16
Lawrence's Cross Roads												
Lewiston										4.00		4.00
Margarettsville						12.00						12.00
Mars Hill		4.56		8.53		12.67				5.00		30.76
Meherrin	2.50	2.50				3.00				2.00		10.00
Mt. Carmel						11.28						11.28
Mt. Tabor					1.00	10.72						11.72
Murfreesboro	4.15		6.57			15.75					3.84	30.31
Oak Grove												
Pine Forest												
Potevasi						11.90				2.00		13.90
Pleasant Grove												6.00
Republican						2.10						2.10
Rich Square												
Romoke												
Romquist												
Roberts' Chapel						60.00						60.00
Ross'												
Sandy Run						26.68						26.68
Seaboard						20.00						20.00
Siloam											8.91	33.35
Severn						24.44						
St. John's						50.00						50.00
Union						5.00						10.00
Winton	5.00											
Woodland												
Total	12.28	16.56	7.20	9.53	12.79	526.90			5.66	75.59	14.75	686.26

FINANCIAL TABLE.—MISSIONARY SOCIETY BENEVOLENCE.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sunday-School board.	Orphanage.	Chowan Institute.	Ministerial Relief Board.	Poor Outside Society.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.	Total.	Total Benevolence of Church in all Departments.
Ahoskie		\$10.00	\$2.00								\$5.00	\$17.00	\$209.57
Andaler	\$5.00	5.00	5.00			\$5.00						20.00	456.00
Bethlehem													258.86
Berhany													42.43
Brantley's Grove.													46.77
Buckhorn	7.00	11.57	78.25								10.00	106.62	301.77
Capheart's	2.05	3.55	1.68									7.23	141.57
Cashie	33.44	33.00	11.86						\$10.00		71.51	159.81	445.41
Center Grove.													96.00
Chowan	16.81	12.50	35.00								13.58	77.89	264.82
Christian Harbor.	4.00	6.00	6.00									16.00	69.07
Coleraine													189.15
Comarittsa													75.00
Crooksville													10.00
Flam													70.01
Galatia													129.17
Green's Cross Roads.											20.00	20.00	80.86
Harpellsville										\$4.80		84.80	458.80
Hale-n	7.18	13.50	10.75									31.43	153.71
Hillside													54.95
Holly Grove.												15.34	211.09
Jackson	8.58	6.76											69.24
Kelford												4.50	86.88
Lawrence's Cross Roads.		3.50	1.00									4.00	54.95
Lewisston	2.00	2.00											82.22
Margarettsville													368.13
Mars Hill.												11.48	73.48
Moherrin	4.82	3.00	3.66									16.84	139.62
Mt. Carmel	5.66	5.32	2.66		\$1.95	1.25					2.59	71.28	231.73
Mt. Taber.	15.57	17.64	35.48								8.34	21.46	176.07
Murfreesboro	6.64	6.48											29.58
Oak Grove.													7.95
Pine Forest.	2.15	3.70	1.20	.90								25.49	226.39
Potomasi	5.82	11.54	3.13			2.50		\$2.50					97.28
Pleasant Grove.	1.71	4.66	1.12								74	8.23	106.93
Republican													46.00
Rich Square.													24.00
Renohe													20.00
Rountist												9.00	274.57
Roberts' Chapel.			9.00									14.42	186.62
Ross'	5.47		8.95										239.86
Sandy Run.												8.50	96.50
Seward	3.00	3.50	2.00										168.55
Silbam												22.00	65.58
Seyern													127.50
St. John.	8.00	8.00	3.00			3.00						56.61	205.44
Union												2.58	7.51
Winton	5.00	20.00		26.17									
Woodland		2.58											
Total	149.90	193.60	219.74	27.07	1.95	11.75		2.50	10.00	84.80	188.37	889.67	6,990.05

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STANDING COMMITTEES.

- State Missions.—J. T. Williams, J. L. Myrick, G. W. Cobb.
 Education.—John Mitchell, H. T. Britton, T. R. Castellow.
 Baptist Orphanage.—J. C. Scarborough, W. B. Fetton, Jordan Edwards.
 Ministers' Relief.—B. F. Martin, C. J. Joyner, R. D. V. Madrey.
 Periodicals.—J. S. Mitchell, Estus White, Isaiah Castellow.
 C. B. F. Institute.—W. P. Shaw, W. J. Harrell, J. C. Stephenson.
 Home Missions.—C. M. McIntosh, Josiah Earley, J. W. Langdale.
 Foreign Missions.—A. T. Howell, J. E. Mathews, J. L. Newsome.
 Church Statistics.—C. R. Harrell, A. Vann, J. C. Tynes.
 Temperance.—T. G. Wood, W. J. Earley, J. S. Holloman.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

E. J. Harrell	Woodland, N. C.
J. A. Speight	Berkley, Va.
S. F. Bristow	Aulander, N. C.
Dancy Cale	Potecasi, N. C.
R. D. Cross	Jackson, N. C.
L. M. Curtis	Ahoskie, N. C.
M. L. Green	Ahoskie, N. C.
S. B. Barnes	Branning, N. C.
C. W. Scarborough	Murfreesboro, N. C.
T. T. Speight	Lewiston, N. C.
R. T. White	Seaboard, N. C.
J. R. Mathews	Hexlena, N. C.
B. Leggett	Windsor, N. C.
John Mitchell	Hexlena, N. C.
T. G. Wood	Aulander, N. C.
W. P. Jordan	Coleraine, N. C.
A. T. Howell	Murfreesboro, N. C.
C. M. McIntosh	Windsor, N. C.
J. Paul Bowers	Garysburg, N. C.

OFFICERS.

C. W. Mitchell, Moderator	Aulander, N. C.
J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator	Winton, N. C.
N. W. Britton, Clerk	Woodland, N. C.
C. W. Harrell, Treasurer	Woodland, N. C.
E. J. Harrell, Historian	Woodland, N. C.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: Provided, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECTS.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWER AND PREROGATIVES.

Art. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but cannot bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for dismissal.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality. (2) The names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post-offices. (3) The Sabbaths of regular service. (4) The church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female. (5) Sabbath-school statistics. (6) Amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund. (7) Names of delegates and alternates. (8) Any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES. OF OFFICERS.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order; and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the Minutes an historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. Adopted 1898.

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.
2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.
3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.
4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.
5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.
7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.
8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.
9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

- 11 a. m.—Introductory sermon.
 12 m.—Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
 12.30 p. m.—Recess.
 2 p. m.—Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize. Read Constitution. Call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session. Receive new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint committees.
 3 p. m.—Report on Temperance.
 3.30 p. m.—Report on Periodicals.
 4 p. m.—Assignment of Homes. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

- 9.30 a. m.—Devotional exercises.
 10 a. m.—Routine business.
 10.15 a. m.—Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.
 11 a. m.—Report on Education.
 11.45 a. m.—Report on State Missions.
 12.30 p. m.—Recess.
 2 p. m.—Convene. Routine business.
 2.10 p. m.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
 2.30 p. m.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.
 3.15 p. m.—Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

- 9.30 a. m.—Devotional exercises.
 10 a. m.—Convene. Routine business.
 10.15 a. m.—Report on Home Missions.
 11 a. m.—Report on Church Statistics.
 11.15 a. m.—Report of committees. Miscellaneous business.
 Adjournment.



PROCEEDINGS.

Tuesday, October 27, 1903.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met this day in its twenty-first annual session with the Buckhorn Baptist Church, Hertford County.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by L. M. Curtis, from Rev. 3:7-11.

The Moderator of last session called the Association to order, and after reading a passage of Scripture, J. A. Speight lead in prayer.

The Clerk called the roll of churches, and delegates were enrolled as follows:

Ahoskie.—D. E. Newsome, W. H. Miller, J. C. Williams.

Aulander.—A. W. Earley, *W. J. Dunning, W. J. Harrell, C. W. Mitchell.

Bethlehem.—R. P. Thomas, *R. J. Hoggard, J. P. Harrell.

Bethany.—S. B. Barnes, W. C. Hughes.

Brantley's Grove.—W. H. Bryant, A. C. Overton.

Buckhorn.—C. C. Moore, J. L. Myrick, R. T. Barnes.

Capehart's.—*Estus White, *H. J. Ward, *G. W. Cobb.

Center Grove.—J. W. Wynns, J. E. Mathews, E. Jenkins.

Cashie.—*D. E. Modlin, *W. R. Cobb, *J. T. Mizelle.

Chowan.—C. F. Griffin, W. S. Herring, W. P. Shaw.

Christian Harbor.—*Starkey Hare, J. H. Myers, J. H. Evans.

Coleraine.—W. H. Harrell, W. B. Felton, H. E. Wilson.

Connaritsa.—Jesse Hoggard, *Josiah Earley, Geo. Williford.

Creekville.—J. W. Britton, Paul Joyner.

Elam.—*J. T. Taylor, *C. L. Stephenson, *E. W. Woodroof.

Galatia.—H. T. Britton, H. P. Spencer, Lee Davis.

Greens X Roads.—Isaiah Castellow, W. J. Mizelle, W. T. Aspell.

Harrellsville.—W. E. Miller, J. T. Williams, J. O. Askew, *J. M. Powell.

Hebron.—J. D. Gatling, G. M. Holloman, R. G. Outland.

Hillside.—Wiley Saunders.

Holly Grove.—J. J. Mizelle, Geo. D. Mizelle.

Jackson.—R. W. Fleetwood, C. J. Bradley, B. F. Davis.

*Absent.

Kelford.—G. L. Brown, W. C. Evans, *C. L. Cobb.

Laurence's X Roads.—J. W. Langdale, J. M. Britt, J. R. Phelps.

Lewiston.—B. F. Parker, W. D. Bunch.

Margarettsville.—Jordan Edwards, *I. P. Parker.

Mars Hill.—K. Bass, L. P. Freeman, *W. R. Rayner, A. V. Harrell.

Meherrin.—J. T. Britt, P. C. Parker, W. S. Nelson.

Mt. Carmel.—J. C. Stephenson, R. D. V. Maddrey, R. E. Pruden.

Mt. Tabor.—H. C. Brittle, J. P. Boyette, E. Curle.

Murfreesboro.—J. D. Babb, J. C. Scarborough.

Oak Grove.—*A. Saunders, J. S. Holloman.

Pine Forest.—*T. T. Floyd, *J. E. Maddrey.

Potecasi.—C. R. Harrell, J. R. Baughan, F. T. Colson.

Pleasant Grove.—A. P. Joyner, J. U. Vaughan, *C. F. Jenkins.

Republican.—C. J. Joyner, W. S. Pritchard, D. J. Burden.

Rich Square.—*E. Baughan, *J. P. Holloman, *A. Vann.

Roanoke.—J. L. Newsome, W. V. Glover.

Roquist.—*J. E. Tadlock, *J. A. Johnson, *D. J. Coffield.

Robert's Chapel.—B. F. Martin, J. H. Stephenson, Alex Horn, John Barnes.

Ross's.—T. Q. Castellow, M. B. Morris, W. D. Mizelle.

Sandy Run.—W. J. Watson, J. C. Tynes, E. L. Bishop.

Seaboard.—J. M. Barnes, C. L. N. Stephenson.

Siloam.—*E. Leggett, *Charles Bond.

Severn.—G. T. Fleetwood, J. L. Long.

St. John's.—S. E. Vaughan, W. P. Howard, J. D. Earley.

Union.—W. N. Cobb, J. H. Darden.

Winton.—J. S. Mitchell, J. H. Jenkins, J. A. Downs.

Woodland.—N. W. Britton, J. M. Jacobs.

*Absent.

The Moderator appointed C. R. Harrell, C. F. Griffin, W. E. Myers and C. J. Bradley, a Committee on Credentials.

After a cordial welcome by Pastor Scarborough, the Association adjourned for dinner. Benediction, by J. B. Boone.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 o'clock, the Association was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by C. B. Williams.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the churches in accord with the Constitution. The report was adopted.

The next business was the election of officers, which resulted as follows: C. W. Mitchell, Moderator; J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; C. W. Harrell, Treasurer; E. J. Harrell, Historian.

T. G. Wood read the Constitution and Rules of Order.

The Moderator invited visiting brethren to seats in the Association.

The following were present: J. S. Farmer, S. J. Parker, J. C. Mizelle, J. B. Boone, C. B. Williams.

Brethren A. T. Howell, C. M. McIntosh, and J. Paul Bowers, were present for the first time as pastors in this Association.

Bro. J. G. Clanton, of Missouri, was recognized as a visitor.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Finance.—J. H. Darden, J. D. Babb, G. M. Holloman, C. F. Griffin.

Religious Exercises.—Pastor and Deacons of Buckhorn Church.

Time, Place and Preacher of Next Session.—J. P. Harrell, B. F. Martin and J. M. Jacobs.

J. A. Speight read the report on Temperance.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Nine hundred and sixty millions of dollars is the sum of money invested in the liquor business in this country. Last year our people spent one billion, one hundred and seventy-two millions, five hundred and sixty-five thousand, two hundred and thirty-five dollars for strong drink. Three-fourths of all the paupers in the land were made so by strong drink. Sixty-six and two-thirds of all the crimes committed in this country last year was chargeable to strong drink. Of the remaining crimes, 90 per cent was chargeable indirectly to drink, so that directly and indirectly ninety-six and forty-four hundredths of all the crimes of this land last year was produced by the liquor traffic. One-half of the taxes paid by the people last year was paid to support the courts and jails and State prisons and poor houses and reformatories and asylums, 90 per cent of whose inmates have been created by the liquor traffic. We have in this country today over one million, two hundred and fifty thousand confirmed drunkards, who in will and mind, and business, and character, and hope, are lost for time and for all eternity; and an equal number who drink to excess making one-fortieth of our entire population ruined forever—over three millions of souls now doomed, and soon to be damned forever. With emphasis, the Bible says that, "No drunkard shall inherit the Kingdom of Heaven." With emphasis, the Bible also says, "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink." With all these facts before us, and with the thundering utterances before us in God's Holy Word, like the burning bush at "Horeb," should we not take our reckoning, and like true men, try to remove this

dreadful curse from the world. Your committee, speaking for the churches of this Association and of all the land, hail the relief which dawns upon the good work of reform. The laborers in the Temperance cause are about to be rewarded for their faithfulness. With the number of counties, and cities, and towns, already in the hands of Temperance people, it is safe to expect complete prohibition to be hastened on.

SOME SUGGESTIONS.

Your committee would request that every friend of this good cause will become a worker and try to enlist all the people in the community.

Tell of the dark and hideous work done in the open saloon, and let the barkeeper know that God and society are frowning on the work of death growing out of his business.

Dispell the delusion that the Dispensary on general principles, is the fore-runner of prohibition. The dispensary only changes the responsibility from the barkeeper to the entire community.

A Dispensary run for the profit there is in the liquor business puts every church member sharing the business in the liquor traffic.

That every church having a member or members who accept the position of Town or County Commissioners, be requested, for the sake of the cause of Christ, to withhold his vote from every man who applies for license, while he is in office.

Of the three counties composing this Association, Bertie has not less than eleven bars, Northampton has two Dispensaries, and Hertford has one Dispensary with two bars—a gain of two bars in our territory since our last meeting, greatly to our sorrow.

Your committee in behalf of the churches, ask the Association to put an interpretation on the resolution attached to the Constitution to see if churches where dispensaries are located, and whose members are sharing the profits of the business; are violating that article, or resolution.

We ask all our members to work for the nomination of temperance men for office, and withhold their votes from every candidate running for office unless he declares himself in favor of prohibition.

As this is a work for God and humanity, the committee requests all Christians to pray that the liquor traffic will soon be banished forever.

The report was spoken to by J. A. Speight, J. C. Scarborough, J. B. Boone.

On motion, Temperance was made a special order for Wednesday evening, at 7.30 o'clock.

The Chairman of the Committee on Hospitality assigned homes to the delegates, after which the Association adjourned. Benediction, by C. M. McIntosh.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 10 a. m. Prayer, by J. B. Boone.

L. M. Curtis submitted the report on Periodicals, which was adopted. J. S. Farmer, agent for the Biblical Recorder, was present yesterday, and spoke on Good Literature.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

This is a reading age, and to the making of books and to the multiplying of papers, there seems to be no end, but the matter of highest importance is the character of the matter we read. The food for the mind is of vastly more concern than the food for the body. The most potent factor for the enlargement and uplifting of the minds or the degrading of the morals of the people, is the newspaper, but the religious newspaper is the most important means of the moral and religious enlightenment of the mind.

Your committee most earnestly commend our Biblical Recorder as a strong, clean and wide-awake paper, whose Editor is able, courageous, and true to every interest of our denomination in the State. We also recommend the Foreign Mission Journal, Home Field, and Charity and Children.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. CURTIS, For Committee.

The following brethren were recognized as visitors from other Associations: C. S. Vann, D. McLeod, J. W. Bailey, Livingston Johnson, R. E. Darden, and S. F. Conrad.

At this point, J. W. Bailey spoke on the "Progress of the Baptists of the State for Ten Years."

R. P. Thomas read the report on State Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The aim of the State Mission Board is to establish and help maintain Missionary Baptist Churches in destitute sections of our dear old State until they can become self-sustaining, and to better systematize and prosecute our Master's work in the State.

We, as Baptists, have reason to feel proud of the past history of the Board, for while its struggles have been many and hard, its achievements have been more or less successful and glorious.

But, while this is true, there are special reasons why we should increase our contributions to State Mission work just at this time.

The young people in the mountain sections of our State need to be developed by better educational facilities and by a better taught and consecrated ministry. There are more McConnells

and Truetts to be developed and trained. The factory problem is rapidly becoming a serious question in our State. There are more than two hundred and fifty factories already in the State with a factory population of more than one hundred thousand, and will probably rapidly increase to three hundred thousand. These people should be met by well-trained, consecrated Baptist ministers to preach to them the pure Gospel of Christ.

Then there is still much territory in the Eastern part of the State, and some even in our own Association where faithful Missionary Baptist preachers are needed to tell the precious story of God's redeeming love in all its fulness and power, and thereby overcome the Anti-Missionary spirit.

We have increased our State Mission contributions in the last two years, but we ought to enlarge them still more to meet the great responsibility which our Lord has placed upon us.

Brethren, shall we not go forward? Let us go on, and never be satisfied until Christ's banner shall wave over every section of the Old North State.

R. P. THOMAS,
H. E. WILSON,

For Committee.

The report was discussed by L. Johnson and T. T. Speight. The roll of churches was called, and pledges made for next year. The report was adopted.

The Moderator invited the following visiting brethren to seats in the Association: C. E. Brewer and J. B. Brewer.

S. B. Barnes read the report on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Our Savior said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." In order to do this efficiently, the preacher must be prepared for his work.

An important preparation is a liberal education.

The demands made of the present generation are not the same made of the men and women of a century ago.

The day was when a meagre education was sufficient, but not so today. The enormous strides made along all lines of pursuits are fast leaving in the rear the half educated people of our country. And it is high time that the parents and youths of the present age were realizing it. The men who have ruled, shaped and benefited this world most are the men of educated minds and hearts. Possibly there was never a time in the history of North Carolina Baptists when we needed a trained ministry to lead the churches, more than now. So many in the churches are doing nothing, so many influences are springing up among us to draw the attention of our people from the ways of God. There are also many doors of opportunity open for aggressive work for the blessed Master.

All these things call largely for a strong leadership. Men who

are called of God to go and preach His Gospel, in most cases are poor men.

The object of the Board of Education is to provide means for the support of young ministers called of God and endorsed by the churches to prepare themselves for this work.

There are thirty-eight men on the Board of Education at Wake Forest this fall, and others are expected in the spring. These men need help as well as our prayers.

Your committee would suggest that the churches be more liberal in their contributions to the Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

S. B. BARNES,
W. C. EVANS,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Prof. C. E. Brewer, and was adopted.

L. M. Curtis read the report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.

REPORT ON C. B. F. INSTITUTE.

For fifty-five consecutive years the Chowan Baptist Female Institute has quietly and faithfully done the work God and our fathers committed to her. During all these years, she has pursued the "even tenor" of her way, without the blare of trumpets or the vehement advocacy of her friends. We are profoundly grateful for the history, success and noble work of this, the oldest, but one, of the schools of high grade in our State for the education of our women. Though she has crossed the half century line, yet "her eye is not dimmed, neither is her strength abated." She has not reached her full maturity of scholastic womanhood. We are thankful to make mention of her present prosperity. It is with unmixed pleasure that your committee reports the largest enrollment of students within nearly a decade. To this should be added the pleasing features of a harmonious, industrious and efficient faculty, with a quiet, and wise administration, and a happy, contented and healthy student body. All seems to be well with our school so far as these things are concerned. Every indication lends fresh and renewed emphasis to the necessity for the existence of the Institution, and points to a more splendid future. What of the future, and what of our duty to our school? While her past history is enviable, and her present is gratifying, your committee declares, in the spirit of calm deliberation, and in tones of no false alarm, that the C. B. F. Institute has come to the place where two seas meet. If she moves on in ever widening influence and in ever increasing efficiency, she must have help-money, and that with a liberal hand.

Your committee would call attention to and urge the imperative necessity of the following improvements:

1. Out of the heart of the situation comes the demand for more room to accommodate the present and prospective number

of students. This cry does not distress us, but rejoices our hearts. We must have more room or turn away some who are knocking at her doors for admittance. What shall we do?

2. Your committee would urge with equal intensity the indispensable necessity for the enlargement and fuller equipment of adequate laboratories for the prosecution of scientific studies. This may require the erection of a building for the purpose.

3. Your committee also calls attention to the desirability and importance of adding to the present curriculum a course of Bible Study and Christian Missions. If this is Jesus Christ's school, His word, His spirit, and His purpose, should be positionized and studied.

4. Your committee further calls attention to a matter of comparative importance, though important. The desirableness of repairing and beautifying the buildings and the grounds. If the improvements already made have contributed in any way to the increase of the number of students, what might we not expect and see if all or the major part of the recommendations made in this report be carried into effect?

We earnestly urge you to think on these things.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. CURTIS,
W. H. PRUDEN,
A. C. VANN,

Committee.

J. C. Scarborough and C. E. Brewer addressed the Association on this report. Pledges to the amount of \$525 were made for the Institute. The report was adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourned for dinner. Benediction, by S. F. Conrad.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and led in prayer by John Mitchell.

W. E. Miller read the Treasurer's report.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

J. M. Powell, Treasurer of the West Chowan Association, received of the Finance Committee at Connaritsa, the following amounts:

For State Missions	\$167.05
Home Missions	121.45
Foreign Missions	187.98
Ministerial Education	54.58
Minister Relief Board	5.47
Orphanage	46.55
Minute Fund	78.20
	\$661.28

Disbursements:

Paid L. Johnson for State Missions	\$167.05
L. Johnson for Home Missions	121.45
L. Johnson for Foreign Missions	187.98
L. Johnson for Ministerial Education	54.58
L. Johnson for Ministerial Relief Board	5.47
J. B. Boone, Orphanage	46.55
N. W. Britton for services as Clerk	25.00
N. W. Britton for church letter	3.00
To Mutual Publishing Co.	46.25
To balance on hand	3.95
	\$661.28

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, for next session, made the following report:

Time, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1904. Place, Ross's, Bertie County. To preach the Introductory Sermon, A. T. Howell; Alternate, C. M. McIntosh.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Ministers' Relief not being ready to report, Livingston Johnson addressed the Association on this subject.

The report on the Orphanage was read by E. J. Harrell, and spoken to by J. B. Boone, and adopted. A cash collection of \$32.27 was taken for the Orphanage.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Nearly nineteen years ago our Orphanage at Thomasville began active operations in caring for and training our homeless children, and we rejoice that the institution is in better condition than ever before. There are 260 children there at this time, with 15 or 20 more already accepted, who will be there within the next thirty days.

Every place for girls is full, but we will soon have the Whitty Building completed, which will accommodate forty more girls. Plans are being matured for two other new buildings, and two of the old buildings are to be repaired and enlarged.

With the finishing of the Whitty House we will have eight dormitories, and the two already planned, will make ten reasonably comfortable homes for these dependent ones, committed to our Christian sympathy and care.

All the ten buildings completed, will enable us to accommodate four hundred orphans.

Brethren, if we correctly estimate our responsibility and our ability, this Association must carry a large per cent of this increased expense. We heartily commend the management and the good work being done, to our churches and Sunday-schools, and

especially to the men and women whom God has blessed with large means.

Let us not forget on Thanksgiving Day to make extra contributions for this praiseworthy object.

We recommend that this Association hold itself in readiness to respond to the request of our General Manager for the erection of a house, to be known as the West Chowan Building.

E. J. HARRELL,

J. H. EVANS,

Committee.

The following brethren were excused from further attendance upon the session of the Association: J. S. Mitchell, J. P. Harrell and C. R. Harrell.

C. W. Scarborough offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That when the Trustees of our Orphanage see the need of a new building, to be called the West Chowan Building, this Association stands ready to put it up.

D. Cale read the report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God is the founder of Foreign Missions. No man could have originated the idea of bringing the whole world to God. God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.—John 3:16.

God has laid the work on those that love Him. He created us in Christ Jesus unto good works. The very impulse of our redeemed souls go out after the lost world.

Gratitude to God for our own salvation should invite us to engage with all our might for the salvation of the world; but above all, our Lord has commanded it. He called His disciples together after His atoning work was done, and he filled their hearts with joys and commanded them to go into all the world and make disciples of all nations. His last thought on earth before His ascension was of foreign missions, and His last admonition to His disciples was that they must be witnesses for Him unto the uttermost parts of the earth, and to make that work a success He has given His holy spirit, with the promise that He shall go with them always, even to the end of the world. Our part in this work is a great pleasure, because we believe that God blesses the giver as well as the gospel blesses those to whom it is preached. We believe, also, that the work of giving to foreign missions blesses and develops the churches as nothing else can.

The receipts for 1902-3 were greater than ever before in the history of the Board, the amount being \$218,512.62. Although the amount is large, still it should be very much larger. The average for each white Baptist in the South is less than thirteen

cents. This should make us ashamed of ourselves as a denomination. When we see how little we give, and see how the Lord has blessed it, surely this should stimulate us to greater giving. North Carolina, with 1,718 churches and 916 preachers, 179,853 church members, gave in the year 1901 \$12,693.77, and in the year 1902 \$15,541.20, and in the year ending 1903 we are asked to give \$20,000. God help us do it.

Our work is moving on fine in all our fields, and we feel that the day is fast hastening when a knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the water covers the great deep.

Our Missions are in China, Africa, Japan, Mexico, Italy and Brazil. The work is encouraging, and, in some countries, wonderfully progressive.

China.—The reports from China show a wonderful change for the better. Many are turning to the Lord in that country. The missionaries are encouraged and feel that they enjoy such opportunities as never before. They report 663 baptisms for the year. They beg for more laborers.

Africa.—In 1902 three times as many baptisms were reported as for the previous year. This year even greater blessings are reported. There were 106 baptisms.

Japan.—This country seems again to be listening to the Gospel message. For several years, elated with victory, she turned a deaf ear. The messengers called in vain, but now a change has come. The people gladly hear, and some are turning to the Lord. Our missionaries reported more baptisms than ever before. We trust that this is only the beginning of a glorious harvest after years of sowing.

Mexico.—Our work in Mexico is moving on smoothly. The missionaries are in full sympathy and harmony. One hundred and thirty-five baptisms were reported for the year. The Theological Training School has been under the charge of Rev. A. C. Watkins, at Torreon. He has been ably assisted by two native brethren.

Italy.—In Italy, Dr. George B. Taylor, our veteran missionary, is cheerful and hopeful. The Theological Training School for native preachers in Rome is making progress. A most interesting account of this is given by Dr. Whittinghill in the report of the Board.

Brazil.—In Brazil the cause progresses so rapidly that it seems our workers there cannot keep up with the advance. Seven hundred and ninety-six baptisms were reported for the year just closed.

D. CALE,
W. S. NELSON,
Committee.

The report was discussed by L. Johnson and W. P. Jordan, and was adopted.

C. W. Scarborough read the following letter from T. C. Britton, of Soochow, China:

T. C. BRITTON'S LETTER.

Soochow, China, Sept. 3, 1903.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:—How glad we would be to meet and see you face to face at Buckhorn! But our duties to our Lord separate us, and it is well. I think of the past year's work as resulting, I hope in the removal of some of the difficulties in the way of the progress of God's kingdom among us. The first difficulty that I hope has been relieved somewhat, is one in my own heart, viz., the disposition to take the credit to myself, when the Lord sees fit to favor His cause in this part of the vineyard. I do hope that through His grace I am some better prepared really to give all glory to the Giver of every good gift and every perfect boon.

We hope also that by preaching and teaching, some of the gross ignorance of this miserable people has been removed, so that the Holy Spirit may renew and sanctify them through the truth. I do believe that the Lord will save the heathen as soon as the necessary conditions of giving them the truth are brought about by His people according to His command.

Then the difficulty of the fewness of laborers came into a heart-cheering prospect of solution, when early in May our beloved colleague, Brother McDaniel, stood and spoke quietly, but clearly, and earnestly the blessed truths connected with the prodigal son to a Chinese congregation in their own tongue.

Since I last wrote you, our church has lost five members—one was dropped for non-attendance, one joined the Catholic, another was expelled for wicked conduct and two have died.

Regular preaching and meetings have been held during the year about as usual, but I want to tell you about the meeting of the church in the latter part of July. They had decided to have a two weeks' meeting. The time came and the members seemed to be made alive by the Holy Spirit as I had never seen them before. They attended well, had prayer-meeting, and two preaching services a day. At the close, on Sunday morning, there were seven added by baptism to our little band of sixteen. We do thank the good Lord for this gracious favor upon us as a church. Then we met in a Bible class twice a day for nearly four weeks, trying to learn to observe the things which He has commanded.

At Zangzah, there have been three baptized during the year. In March, a church was organized with seven members. I have been there several times, spending from one to ten days teaching and preaching. They have met with severe trials, and one is impressed with the fact that they need the almighty power of God as much to live the Christian life as they do to begin it. They have decided to have a week of protracted meetings about the middle of this month. Do let your prayers ever be mingled with ours for this little church.

Our brother at Dougli, between here and Zangzah, told me the other day that he has a room now which he wishes us to use as

a preaching hall instead of preaching on the streets as we have been doing. We also preached on the streets at Eding for some years, and some months ago we were invited to use a large room in front of the leading temple there. We are thankful for these openings, but it is our grief that we can do so little of the vast amount of preaching that ought to be done at these and hundreds of other places.

Do continue your most earnest prayers that the Lord of the harvest will thrust forth laborers into His harvest.

For a few months I have had one of our brethren studying the Bible with me. We hope that he is called of God to preach, and it is a great boon to have him as a companion on trips to the country and in other labors.

May the Lord abundantly bless you in this session, and all through the year. With our greetings,

Your brother in Christ,

T. C. BRITTON.

The Association adjourned to meet to-night at 7.30. Benediction by Livingston Johnson.

EVENING SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and led in prayer by T. T. Speight. J. A. Speight re-read the report on Temperance, and the following brethren spoke on the temperance work of our State: J. W. Bailey, C. W. Scarborough, J. C. Scarborough, D. McLeod, T. T. Speight, J. T. Williams, D. Cale, W. P. Jordan and C. W. Mitchell.

The report was adopted.

D. McLeod asked the Association for a contribution for his church at Belhaven. He received a contribution of \$32.27.

Adjourned with prayer by D. McLeod.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Moderator called the Association to order at 10 a. m. D. McLeod led in prayer. *

The following resolution, offered by J. A. Speight, was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association has heard with great pleasure of the great work of grace at Winton, and rejoice with joy unspeakable at the reconciliation of the difficulties existing between our brethren there, and that the Clerk be authorized to send a copy of this resolution to each of the churches at Winton.

The following resolution, by D. Cale, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Christian greetings and brotherly sympathy of this Association be sent to Elder M. L. Green, who seems to be ending life's work, and that R. P. Thomas bear these greetings.

The following resolution, offered by C. W. Scarborough, was adopted:

Resolved, That the report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute and General Education be consolidated.

J. A. Speight read the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the report on Foreign Missions come up at 2.30 and close at 3.30 on Wednesday.

C. W. Scarborough read the report on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

No more short-sighted policy could be pursued than to fail to strengthen and build up the home field while we press forward to the foreign lands. The Moravians of the United States have made this well nigh fatal mistake. To strengthen the stakes is as important as to lengthen the cords. Just this, and more, has the Home Mission Board done for fifty-eight years.

During the last five years this Board has added 74,625 to our working force, and constituted 909 churches—an average of 14,925 members and 181 churches per year. It is significant that more than half of those added have joined by letter—our own wandering people found by the Home Missionary, strangers among a strange people; Christians, but away from a church—these have been organized and put to work.

Other facts show the work of this Board. It has established or helped to independence Baptist churches in every State capital in the South except Kentucky. It found Washington, D. C., with virtually nothing of Baptists, and by its help has made the Baptists there both prominent and powerful. If you begin at Baltimore and count one hundred of the largest cities and towns in the South, nine out of ten of them owe their Baptist strength to the efforts and money of the Home Board. Still further: one out of six of the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention were constituted by the Home Board; and one out of seven of our members were brought into the denomination by the Home Board.

Time has shown that this Board has seen and taken for God those points which were to be the strong places; so that far more than half of the money contributed to the work of the Southern Baptist Convention comes from churches constituted by this Board.

This is a glorious past; what of its present work? Is that work done as some say? What sayeth the record? Its year's work ending May 1, 1903, shows 127 churches constituted, with an average membership of 155. Of the 18,685 received into these

churches, 8,969 were admitted by baptism, 9,716 by letter. It built and improved 280 houses of worship, organized 494 Sunday-schools. For North Carolina, it spent \$3,274.50 for factory missions, constituted five churches, built and improved eleven houses of worship, organized eight Sunday-schools, and into churches received by baptism 498, and by letter 298, and gave to our mountain schools \$3,075. From this last-mentioned fact, it will be seen that its work is both evangelical and educational. But its principal work is to save for God our own people, and those who come to our own land. Our people, and our land, are worth saving; and your committee insist that the Home Board is worthy of our enthusiastic support, and liberal gifts, for by it and through it, we fight with God for our people and our country. If the ultimate end of Home Missions is Foreign Missions, the most effective work for Foreign Missions is the work of saving our own land. We believe that a dollar given to Home Missions, and a soul saved here, means more for the enlargement and establishment of God's kingdom on earth than a dollar given and a soul saved in China or Africa—and this is said to magnify Foreign Missions.

Some special features of our work:

Cuba.—Our Board has had complications and discouragements there, such as is common to all work for God; but, in spite of all, God's blessings are upon our work and workers in Cuba. The sky is brighter than it has been for five years, and there is everything to encourage us. During the past year three new fields have been entered and churches constituted. We now have on that field fifteen missionaries and eight churches with many preaching stations. Our missionaries there are pleading for money to build church-houses, and for five new men.

Work Among Negroes.—Forty-two per cent of our population are negroes. They endanger our civilization and increase the burdens of our religious responsibilities. At the request of the negroes (in most cases), the New Era Institute work has ceased in all the Southern States except Virginia, North Carolina, Missouri and Kentucky. They seem anxious to help themselves, as far as they are able, but beg for the help of their white brethren of the Home Board along the lines of work which that Board is doing in the South for the white people. This is being done with fine results.

Frontier Work.—This is not simply work among the Indians as some would suppose, but is work among our own people in a belt of the finest territory in the United States. This belt is one thousand miles long and five hundred miles wide, embracing Kansas, the Indian Territory, Oklahoma, parts of Missouri and of Arkansas, Western and Southwestern Texas to the Rio Grande and to the Gulf of Mexico. In war we have the pioneer corps to bridge the streams and prepare the way for the on-coming army. In all this territory we are working for God, and are fighting to the finish the great battles for God and civilization. The Home Board is leading the way. Here are conditions of society and a

need of the Gospel not surpassed by China or other heathen lands. If our people shall be true to themselves, and to the Home Board, this land shall one day be possessed by our Southern Baptists to the glory of God.

Foreign Population. Our Book, and the new nature within us, makes us in a measure responsible for the stranger within our gates. There are 20,000 Cubans in Florida. There are 1,250,000 foreigners within a radius of one hundred miles around St. Louis, and in this circle there are not two dozen aggressive self-supporting churches. So numerous are foreigners in Baltimore, New Orleans, Kansas City, Galveston, San Antonio, and in many country districts in Louisiana, Missouri, Texas, Arizona and New Mexico that the same kind of work has to be done there as in Germany, Mexico, Poland and Italy. Take the destitution in Louisiana, where out of 59 parishes (counties), 17 are without a white Baptist Church, and 30 county towns with a white Baptist Church, and ask yourself, how shall I answer for the stranger within my gate? What shall we do with him? If we give him not the Gospel what will he do with us? The Home Mission Board is trying to give him the Gospel, but it is pressed for men and money. We plead for liberal gifts to this work.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH, For Committee.

The report was spoken to by J. W. Bailey, J. C. Scarborough, C. W. Scarborough, C. W. Mitchell, and L. M. Curtis. Pledges were made for next year. The report was adopted.

C. W. Scarborough read a letter from Miss Fannie E. Heck. It was ordered to be printed in the minutes.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF MISSIONS TO THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

Dear Brethren:—It is with much pleasure that the Central Committee reports a most prosperous year's work. The Woman's Missionary Societies connected with our Baptist Churches have increased in number, knowledge and liberality.

For the year closing December, 1902, 369 Societies reported \$11,003.13 for Home, State and Foreign Missions, this being an increase of \$1,236.74 over the previous year. This makes a total of \$83,923.19 contributed through the Woman's Missionary Societies of our State since the organization of the Central Committee in 1886. When we remember that there were only fourteen Societies in 1886, we can appreciate what a remarkable work we have been permitted to do. We, however, believe what we have done but the beginning of the larger things reserved for us in the future.

Our monied aim for 1903 is to give \$12,000 to Home, State, and Foreign Missions, and the motto of the Societies for the year is, "All from God, all for God—whose I am and whom I serve."

We would again ask the assistance of the ministers of this As-

sociation in the organization and encouragement of Woman's Missionary Societies in their churches, and especially call their attention to the necessity of the children being taught the great principles of missions through the Missionary Sunbeam Societies. If the children are not trained now while their hearts are young and impressionable, the church of twenty years hence will utterly fail to meet the overwhelming opportunities for the extension of God's kingdom which will be thrust upon them. We have not found any church where a Sunbeam Missionary Society might not be carried on with great profit, provided one earnest woman can be found to gather and teach the children.

For the year December, 1901-1902, the Societies of your Association reported through the Woman's Central Committee, for Home, State and Foreign Missions, \$752.67.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNIE E. S. HECK,

For Woman's Central Committee of Missions.

R. D. Cross made the report of the committee appointed last session to revise the dates of the Constitution of our churches. The changes made will appear in the minutes. The report was adopted. The Clerk was appointed to continue this work.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered to Buckhorn Church and New Hope Church, and the friends of these churches, for their kind hospitality during this session.

J. H. EVANS.

J. E. MATHEWS.

On motion, R. D. Cross, R. P. Thomas and John Mitchell, were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention; J. T. Williams, alternate.

On motion, T. T. Speight was appointed a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention; L. M. Curtis, alternate.

On motion, E. J. Harrell was made a member of the State Mission Board.

The committee to look after the matter of a suitable monument to the memory of Elder William Burkett, was continued, with C. M. McIntosh, Chairman.

N. W. Britton made the following report on Church Statistics:

Received by baptism	377
Received by letter	225
Received by restoration	64

Total number received

666

Lost by letter

272

Lost by exclusion

122

Lost by death

94

Total number lost

488

Gain, 178.

Number of members, 10,096.

Number of churches, 49.

Seven churches have preaching two Sundays in each month.

All the churches have pastors. Adopted.

On motion, the Clerk was ordered to notify the chairmen of standing committees ten days before the next session of the Association to have their reports ready and send them to the Association if they cannot go themselves.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your committee have received and turned over to the Treasurer of the Association:

For Foreign Missions	\$164.04
State Missions	171.62
Home Missions	121.88
Education	54.25
Minutes	71.60
	\$583.39

J. D. BABB,
G. M. HOLLOMAN,
C. F. GRIFFIN,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

After singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," and after some appropriate and interesting remarks made by J. A. Speight, W. E. Miller, J. C. Scarborough, T. T. Speight, John Mitchell, R. D. Cross, L. M. Curtis and D. McLeod, the Association closed one of its best sessions.

On motion, the Moderator declared the Association adjourned. Benediction, by R. D. Cross.

C. W. MITCHELL, Moderator.

N. W. BRITTON, Clerk.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

God rewards the victorious by calling them to new battles. So the people of the West Chowan Association gathered with the church at Buckhorn, October 27, 1903, with profound gratitude to Almighty God for His abundant blessings during the past year. While others have marked larger increases in numbers and contributions, perhaps no Association has had greater cause for thanksgiving. Earnest effort and steady progress characterize the work during the year. Altogether, the churches never reported a better year's work. "Forward all along the line," had been sounded a year ago at Conaritsa, and forward has been the march of Zion.

The place of meeting was a happy one. Buckhorn Church near the Chowan River, in the Maney's Neck region, a center that ranks with the foremost communities in its religious, intellectual and moral life, was an old Episcopal Chapel a century ago. Here Baptists and Methodists worshipped jointly for a time; but when the property was sold the Baptists bought it, and they have grown and developed under the leadership of illustrious ministers and teachers into one of the best churches to be found. Buckhorn Church went out from Meherrin, the mother of many churches, and was organized 1837. Its history is interwoven with such names as the Savages, Vanns, Majettes, Picots, Taylors, and others.

All the older members have passed from works to rewards, save Capt. J. H. Picot and Mrs. Margaret Bynum. During the past year the church and community sustained a loss in the death of Sister Amanda Taylor.

Rev. C. W. Scarborough, who for more than a decade has been the faithful undershepherd of so noble a people, is still leading them into wider fields of usefulness.

He with his people, contributed much to the success of meeting.

An introductory sermon of rare power and appropriateness was preached by Rev. L. M. Curtis.

Moderator Mitchell added much to the spirit and activity of the meeting by his wise and timely management.

There were two particularly impressive features of this session. First, there was great enthusiasm manifested in behalf of the Temperance cause throughout the State. Second, a noble rally to the needs of the Chowan Baptist Female Institute that has for nearly three-quarters of a century shaped and moulded into noble, Christian womanhood our young woman, the influence of which has done so much for our State, especially Eastern Carolina. Five hundred dollars was raised to supply chemical apparatus.

Christian education and missions lie at the heart of the Association. In these she finds the law of her being.

Home, State and Foreign Missions receive special attention. More than \$6,300 were contributed during the year for benevolence, and more than \$14,600 for all objects.

New pastors coming into the Association during the past year are, Revs. A. T. Howell, C. M. McIntosh and Paul Bowers.

After fitting words of farewell, spoken with deep feeling, by Rev. R. D. Cross, who is soon to leave the Association after eight years of faithful service, there was an interval of handshaking, commingled with tears.

Thus the Association closed its twenty-first session, to meet with the church at Ross's, October, 1904.

E. J. HARRELL,
Historian.

WOMAN'S MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of West Chowan Association met in its ninth session October 28, 1903, at 2 o'clock, in the Academy building of Buckhorn. Mrs. Reuben Majette conducted suitable praise service. "The Morning Light Is Breaking," was the introductory hymn, followed by Scripture reading, the import of which was the Divine authority for missions.

Mrs. R. D. Cross invoked blessings upon the meeting, for the prosperity of the work and upon those who had gone "far hence unto the Gentiles."

The Secretary being absent, Miss Josephine Vann was elected Secretary Pro tem.

The election of officers resulted in the re-election of Mrs. E. J. Harrell as Vice-President, and Miss Annie E. Parker, Secretary.

The roll of churches having Societies was called, and reports from representatives read. Thirteen reported, as follows:

Ahoskie	\$101.51
Potecasi	30.00
Holly Grove Shool House	15.00
Buckhorn	108.06
Woodland	15.76
Rich Square	17.65
St. Johns	18.26
Rich Square Sunbeams	7.78
Meherrin Sunbeams	9.82
Chowan	94.23
Mt. Carmel	17.78
Elam	20.75
Seaboard	7.20

Mt. Tabor represented, no report.

Hebron represented, no report.

Jackson represented, no report.

Murfreesboro represented, no report.

Total amount contributed, \$463.80.

These reports were encouraging.

After a report was submitted by the Vice-President, of her work for the past Associational year, a letter addressed to the Societies by Miss F. E. S. Heck, was read by the Secretary. The one thought was enlargement. First, we must enlarge our belief in the saving power of the Gospel, and then enlarge our plans for spreading it.

Letters from Dr. Willingham and Miss Buhlmaier were read by Miss Lizzie Savage and Miss Vann.

Mrs. Harrell made a short, but earnest address, on the importance of sending the Gospel to heathen nations. The soul is helpless. Rom. 10:13-15. Man's work is to present this Gospel.

After singing "Rescue the Perishing," the meeting adjourned with prayer, by the President, who begged that soon some one might be called to go from our own midst as a "messenger of peace."

The Vice-President, after adjournment, announced that Mrs. Cross would be glad to forward subscriptions to F. M. Journal and Home Field. She also urged distribution of literature, believing it would transform and revolutionize non-reading societies.

Literature was placed on the desk for delegates. The "Via Christi" was there for examination.

The next meeting will be held at Seaboard, November 28, 1903.

MRS. E. J. HARRELL,
Associational Vice-President.

MISS JOSEPHINE VANN,
Secretary, Pro Tem.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The West Chowan Baptist Sunday-school Convention met in its fourteenth annual session, with the church at Hebron, in Hertford County, on Friday, the 28th day of August, 1903, at 11.30 a. m. Introductory sermon, preached by Dr. John Mitchell, from Ezra 7:10. After organization, the following officers were elected: J. W. Fleetwood, President; Jno. C. Cale, Vice-President; W. L. Davis, Secretary; N. W. Britton, Treasurer.

The practical subjects were then discussed as follows:

1. What of the Sunday-school as missionary agency? Discussed by E. J. Harrell.

2. The teacher, his preparation,—before his class, his object. Discussed by C. W. Mitchell, Jno. C. Scarboro, Jno. Cale.

3. How shall the officers and teachers of a Sunday-school work to win the co-operation of the parents and friends of the scholars? Discussed by N. W. Britton.

4. Open conference of superintendents, led by Dr. R. P. Thomas.

5. Is the mission of this Convention fulfilled in discussing practical subjects only? Discussed by T. G. Wood, W. L. Davis.

6. Question box, by R. D. Cross.

7. Missionary sermon, by Rev. L. M. Curtis.

Next session of the Convention meets with the church at Severn.

Sunday, 12.30 p. m., adjourned one of the most successful sessions of the Convention.

J. W. FLEETWOOD, President.

WM. L. DAVIS, Secretary.

PLEDGES FOR NEXT YEAR.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.
Ahoskie	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$16.00	\$12.00
Aulander	40.00	40.00	27.50	12.00
Bethlehem	35.00	42.50	21.00	15.00
Bethany	11.00	11.00	6.00	2.50
Brantley's Grove	17.00	13.00	15.00	3.00
Buckhorn	100.00	52.50	25.00	25.00
Capehart's	35.00	35.00	16.00	5.00
Cashie	75.00	45.00	25.00	15.00
Center Grove	25.00	30.00	15.00	7.00
Chowan	50.00	50.00	20.00	15.00
Christian Harbor	8.00	8.00	8.00	2.00
Coleraine	40.00	35.00	15.00	8.00
Connaritsa	25.00	30.00	22.00	10.00
Creeksville	15.00	12.00	5.00	3.00
Elam	25.00	15.00	10.00	5.00
Galatia	15.00	16.00	10.00	5.00
Green's Cross Roads	15.00	10.00	10.00	2.00
Harrellsville	22.50	25.00	14.00	5.00
Hebron	20.00	20.00	13.00	5.00
Hillside	3.75	7.00	4.00	2.00
Holly Grove	15.00	15.00	8.00	8.00
Jackson	18.00	22.50	17.00	5.00
Kelford	30.00	20.00	20.00	5.00
Lawrence's Cross Roads	11.00	18.00	6.00	3.00
Lewiston	20.00	20.00	12.00	7.00
Margarettsville	12.00	10.00	12.00	5.00
Mars Hills	50.00	25.00	30.00	5.00
Meherrin, (Paid)	15.00	20.00	13.00	2.00
Mt. Carmel	20.00	20.00	12.00	5.00
Mt. Tabor	30.00	25.00	15.00	5.00
Murfreesboro	30.00	30.00	30.00	10.00
Oak Grove	8.00	8.00	7.00	2.00
Pine Forest	7.00	8.00	4.00	5.00
Potecasi	25.00	25.00	20.00	10.00
Pleasant Grove	22.50	22.50	16.00	10.00
Republican	27.00	28.00	15.00	7.00
Rich Square	22.00	25.00	16.00	5.00
Roanoke	9.00	12.50	4.00	2.00
Roquist	6.00	6.00	6.00	2.00
Robert's Chapel	100.00	50.00	30.00	20.00
Ross's	30.00	35.00	15.00	5.00
Sandy Run	30.00	30.00	30.00	10.00
Seaboard	10.00	15.00	11.00	5.00
Siloam	2.50	3.00	3.00	2.00
Severn	25.00	16.50	15.00	6.00
St. John's	17.00	13.00	8.00	3.00
Union	20.00	32.00	20.00	10.00
Winton	15.00	15.00	11.00	10.00
Woodland	10.00	10.00	10.00	5.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	No. Schools.	Superintendents and Post-Offices.	Officers and Teachers	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.
Ahoskie -----	1	W. H. Miller, Ahoskie -----	9	106	115			12	80
Aulander -----	1	A. W. Early, Aulander -----	9	115	124	50	40	12	95
Bethlehem -----	1	R. P. Thomas, Bethlehem -----	17	83	100	156	120	9	63
Bethany -----	2	G. J. Perry, Branning -----	9	95	104	50	80	9	50
Brantley's Grove -----	1	W. J. Cowan, Cofield -----	10	107	117	70		9	65
Buckhorn -----	1	R. A. Majette, Como -----	8				80	12	57
Capehart's -----	2	S. T. Miller, Evansville -----	12	116	128	50	75	7	90
Cashie -----		T. Gillam, Windsor -----	9	100	109		100	12	60
Center Grove -----	1	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie -----	9	136	145		20	9	80
Chowan -----	1	J. P. Freeman, Winton -----	7	70	77		85	12	60
Christian Harbor -----	1	J. W. Holloman, Harrellsville -----	8	74	82	18	48	12	62
Coleraine -----	3	G. M. Matthews, Coleraine -----	18	157	175		180	8	125
Connaritsa -----	1	J. P. Slade, Aulander -----	13	67	80	90		6	50
Creeksville -----	1	J. W. Britton, Creeksville -----	12	84	96			12	65
Elam -----	1	J. R. Stephenson, Garysburg -----	8	30	38			12	26
Galatia -----	1	J. W. Rose, Garysburg -----	9	54	63			10	40
Green's Cross Roads -----	2	M. E. Conner, Windsor -----	22	108	130	9		9	65
Harrellsville -----	1	D. Taylor, Harrellsville -----	8	71	79		40	12	35
Hebron -----	1	J. D. Gatling, Woodland -----	8	45	53	9	2	12	33
Hillside -----	1	J. H. Sanders, Quitsna -----	8	18	26	78		9	18
Holly Grove -----	1	J. H. Bowen, Askewville -----	7	45	52			6	32
Jackson -----	1	Paul J. Long, Jackson -----	10	60	70	55	25	12	40
Kelford -----	1	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford -----	9	80	89			12	60
Lawrence' X Roads -----	1	J. W. Langsdale, Sans Souci -----	10	57	67	50		6	
Lewiston -----	1	J. A. Modlin, Lewiston -----	8	70	78	70	72	12	44
Margarettsville -----	1	J. Edwards, Margarettsville -----	6	34	40	38	48	12	25
Mars Hill -----									
Meherrin -----	1	W. S. Nelson, Murfreesboro -----	12	90	102	50	120	12	65
Mt. Carmel -----	2	J. T. Stephenson, Seaboard -----	16	166	182	120		12	63
Mt. Tabor -----	2	E. Curle, Mapleton -----	20	157	177	93		12	85
Murfreesboro -----	1	H. V. Scarboro, Murfreesboro -----	16	116	132	55	210	12	70
Oak Grove -----	1	A. E. Saunders, Aulander -----	7	50	57			9	25
Pine Forest -----	3	W. H. Camp, Garysburg -----	5	25	30	7		7	20
Potecasi -----	1	C. R. Harrell, Potecasi -----	11	86	97			12	85
Pleasant Grove -----	1	J. W. Vaughan, Aulander -----	8	54	62	50		6	34
Republican -----	1	Levi Hoggard, Drew -----	11	75	86	50	100	9	55
Rich Square -----	1	J. P. Holloman, Rich Square -----	7	80	87		96	12	50
Roanoke -----	1	W. J. Lassiter, Lasker -----	7	55	62			12	25
Roquist -----									
Robert's Chapel -----	1	B. F. Martin, Conway -----	12	152	164	139	40	12	85
Ross's -----									
Sandy Run -----	2	E. L. Bishop, Roxboro -----	11	104	113	351		12	45
Seaboard -----	1	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard -----	9	50	59	135	20	12	30
Siloam -----	1	B. Leggett, Windsor -----	5	31	36		12	9	15
Severn -----	1	J. N. Stephenson, Severn -----	14	69	83			12	59
St. John's -----	1	J. D. Earley, St. John's -----	7	101	108		108	6	45
Union -----	1	A. Vann, Union -----	11	61	72	12	50	12	36
Winton -----	1	J. S. Mitchell, Winton -----	12	98	110			12	
Woodland -----	1	C. H. Griffin, Woodland -----	8	80	88		35	12	70
Total -----	54		471	3,670	4,141	2,035	1,806		

Churches.	Presidents and Post-Offices.	Cor. Secretaries and Post-Offices.	No. Officers	No. Members	Total
Ahoskie	Mrs. R. F. Leary, Ahoskie	Mrs. D. L. Myers, Ahoskie	4	23	27
Aulander	Mrs. P. A. Mitchell, Aulander	Miss Ella Earley, Aulander	3	11	14
Bethlehem	Enola M. Perry, Coleraine	Funice Outlaw, Branning	3	72	75
Bethany	Mrs. Julia A. Green, Ahoskie	Miss Josie J. Holloman, Ahoskie	4	116	120
Buckhorn	Miss Josephine H. Vann, Como	Miss Tena W. Picot, Como	3	20	23
Capehart's					
Cashie					
Center Grove	Mrs. J. P. Freeman, Winton	Miss Agnes G. Carter, Winton	4	28	32
Chowan	W. I. Lloyd, Harrellsville	Mattie N. Saunders, Harrellsville	4	53	57
Coleraine					
Connarissa					
Creeksville	Mary E. Lassiter, Creeksville	Bessie M. Davis, Creeksville	5	65	70
Elam	Emmie L. Stephenson, Garysburg	Clara V. Wheeler, Garysburg	2	28	30
Galatia	Mrs. D. W. Taylor, Seaboard	Mrs. Lee Davis, Conway	3	38	41
Green's Cross Roads					
Harrellsville	Mrs. Kate Griffin, Woodland	Miss Blannie Edwards, Menola	4	31	35
Hedden					
Hillside					
Holly Grove					
Jackson	Mrs. Sallie Calvert, Jackson	Miss Lillie B. Spencer, Jackson	4	29	33
Kelford	Miss Bessie Harrell, Kelford	Miss Bettie E. Cobb, Kelford	4	8	12
Laurence's Cross Roads	Miss E. Williams, Merry Hill	Annie Williams, Merry Hill	3	34	37
Lewiston					
Margarettsville					
Marys Hill					
Meherrin	Beulah Parker, Murfreesboro	J. H. Johnson, Murfreesboro	7	60	67
Mt. Carmel	Miss Bettie I. McGlaughan, Seaboard	Miss Kate Pruden, Seaboard	4	51	55
Mt. Tabor	Mrs. E. T. Boyette, Mapleton	Susie N. Darden, Murfreesboro	4	30	34
Murfreesboro	Miss Katie Boyette, Murfreesboro	Miss Sylla Williamson, Murfreesboro	6	84	90
Oak Grove					
Pine Forest	J. P. Bowers, Garysburg	Mrs. W. E. Carstarp, Garysburg	2	22	24
Potocasi	Mrs. C. R. Harrell, Potocasi	Miss Sallie E. Wiggins, Potocasi	3	63	66
Pleasant Grove	Miss Mary Britton, Eagletown	Mrs. Mollie E. Cooke, St. John's	2	12	14
Republican					
Rich Square	Mrs. J. P. Holloman, Rich Square	Miss Mary Vann, Rich Square	4	26	30
Ronanoke	Dorcas Morehead, Lasker	Mable Draper, Rehoboth	3	40	43
Roquist					
Robert's Chapel	Mrs. V. A. Stephenson, Pendleton	W. D. Edwards, Pendleton	4	96	100
Ross's					
Sandy Run	Mrs. E. L. Tyler, Roxobel	Emmie T. Watson, Roxobel	4	13	17
Seaboard	Mrs. J. T. Maddrey, Seaboard	Miss Josie Maddrey, Seaboard	2	12	14
Siloam					
Severn					
St. John's	Mrs. Lucia Britton, St. John's	Miss Ethel Brett, St. John's	2	67	69
Union	Mabel Laurence, Union	Hugh Dukes, Union	4	34	38
Winton	J. H. Jenkins, Winton	J. S. Mitchell, Winton	6	50	56
Woodland	Mrs. M. S. Benthall, Woodland	Miss Mary Harrell, Woodland	6	33	39
Total			112	1,258	1,425

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher of the Introductory Sermon	Texts
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.	R. P. Thomas	W. C. Parker	D. A. Woodson	Rom. i. 16
1884	Roberts' Chapel, Northampton Co.	do	do	J. D. Hufham	Acts xx. 24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Psaln xvi. 8
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Heb. xiii. 1.
1887	Winton, Hertford Co.	do	do	B. R. Williams	Acts xx. 35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.	do	do	M. L. Green	Gal. vi. 10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do	do	T. T. Speight	Gal. vi. 10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Rom. viii. 1.
1891	Union, Hertford Co.	do	do	T. G. Wood	Habakuc ii. 15.
1892	Mt. Carmel, Northampton Co.	do	do	Braxton Craig	Num. xiii. 30.
1893	Coleraine, Bertie Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Col. ii. 10
1894	Mt. Tabor, Hertford Co.	do	do	A. Cree	Col. i. 28.
1895	Sandy Run, Bertie Co.	do	do	J. B. Boone	Rom. xv. 1, 2, 3
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co.	do	W. R. Raynor	R. D. Cross	Eph. i. 17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	J. C. Scarborough	do	—McKaghan	Acts v. 29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.	do	do	W. P. Jordan	Rom. v. 8; viii. 32.
1899	Ahoskie, Hertford Co.	do	do	J. A. Speight	Joel iii. 14, 15, 16.
1900	Potocasi, Northampton Co.	do	do	R. D. Cross	Gal. vi. 14.
1901	Capehart, Bertie Co.	C. W. Mitchell	N. W. Britton	G. P. Harrill	Heb. iv. 6.
1902	Connaritsa, Bertie Co.	do	do	D. Cale	2 Cor. ix. 6, 7.
1903	Buckhorn, Hertford Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Rev. iii. 7 to 11.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches.	Location and Date of Constitution.	Baptism	Received.			Loss.			Total.	Gain During Year.	Loss During Year.	Membership.			Pastors and Post-Offices.	Clerks and Post-Offices.	Sabbaths of Preaching.
			Letter.	Restoration	Total.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.				Males.	Females.	Total.			
Ahoskie	Hertford Co., 1804.	11	12	2	25	12	12	5	29	4	117	196	313	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.	Rbt. J. Jolloman, Ahoskie.	2nd and 4th.	
Aulander	Bertie Co., 1886	4	4	4	8	2	1	11	7	90	128	218	John Mitchell, Hexlena.	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander.	2nd.		
Bethlehem	Hertford Co., 1835.	13	3	1	17	3	2	5	12	56	118	216	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.	A. B. Atkins, Bethlehem.	1st and 3rd.		
Brambling	Bertie Co., 1881.	17	6	2	25	5	1	1	7	18	100	107	207	S. B. Barnes, Branning.	W. W. Perry, Branning.	2nd.	
Bradley's Grove	Hertford Co., 1877.	19	3	5	27	6	1	1	11	16	66	98	164	S. B. Barnes, Branning.	W. J. Cowan, Cofield.	2nd.	
Brookborn	Hertford Co., 1835.	6	1	1	8	3	4	12	9	1	102	116	218	C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.	S. P. Wigborne, Como.	2nd and 4th.	
Carhart's	Bertie Co., 1824.	16	4	2	22	7	3	7	17	5	122	184	306	J. R. Mathews, Hexlena.	H. J. Ward, Evansville.	2nd.	
Chatham	Bertie Co., 1778	4	9	1	14	6	2	5	13	1	106	163	269	C. M. McIntosh, Windsor.	D. J. Maglin, Windsor.	1st and 3rd.	
Clinton Grove	Bertie Co., 1897.	11	4	1	15	3	2	2	9	6	83	91	174	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.	C. S. Gocwin, Ahoskie.	2nd.	
Columbia	Hertford Co., 1895.	7	9	1	16	1	1	1	15	47	59	106	T. G. Wood, Aulander.	T. H. Boone, Winton.	1st and 3rd.		
Christian Harbor	Hertford Co., 1881.	10	7	5	22	3	3	6	16	59	72	131	M. L. Green, Ahoskie.	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville.	2nd.		
Coleraine	Bertie Co., 1780.	2	6	8	12	3	2	17	9	176	120	296	W. P. Jordan, Coleraine.	H. L. Wilson, Coleraine.	3rd.		
Columbia	Bertie Co., 1789.	19	12	3	34	8	6	4	18	16	131	245	379	T. T. Speight, Lewiston.	A. J. Dunning, Aulander.	3rd.	
Columbia	Northampton Co., 1892.	17	12	1	29	1	1	1	28	68	65	133	D. Cale, Potocasi.	W. H. Davis, Creekville.	2nd.		
Columbia	Northampton Co., 1844.	2	1	1	3	5	2	7	4	66	145	211	D. Cale, Potocasi.	R. J. Hancock, Seaboard.	1st.		
Columbia	Northampton Co., 1859.	29	1	1	31	4	3	1	8	23	123	157	280	D. Cale, Potocasi.	W. O. Smith, Seaboard.	2nd.	
Cross Roads	Bertie Co., 1874.	12	2	2	14	2	2	16	14	77	103	180	W. P. Jordan, Coleraine.	G. W. Castellow, Windsor.	2nd.		
Harrellsville	Hertford Co., 1875.	9	12	1	22	8	2	10	12	77	76	153	J. A. Speight, Berkley, Va.	Dorsey Taylor, Harrellsville.	3rd.		
Harrellsville	Northampton Co., 1856.	12	2	1	14	11	1	2	14	119	148	267	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	J. C. Revel, Liverman.	3rd.		
Harrellsville	Bertie Co., 1885.	1	1	2	1	3	4	4	2	36	31	67	S. B. Barnes, Branning.	W. F. Gaskin, Quitsna.	1st.		
Holly Grove	Bertie Co., 1804.	10	2	12	8	2	10	2	10	65	89	145	S. F. Bristow, Aulander.	J. H. Bowen, Askewville.	1st.		
Howell	Northampton Co., 1882.	6	6	12	3	2	5	7	14	4	56	100	R. D. Cross, Jackson.	Edwin Wright, Jackson.	1st.		
Howell	Bertie Co., 1898.	12	5	17	1	5	1	7	10	41	58	99	T. T. Speight, Lewiston.	W. J. Parker, Kelford.	2nd.		
Lawrence's X Roads	Bertie Co., 1874.	5	5	5	5	1	1	2	3	92	105	197	S. B. Barnes, Branning.	J. H. Phelps, Sans Souci.	4th.		
Lawrence's X Roads	Bertie Co., 1883.	8	3	5	16	4	4	2	10	6	75	91	166	T. G. Wood, Aulander.	W. L. Barnes, Lewiston.	4th.	
Lawrence's X Roads	Northampton Co., 1889.	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	25	27	52	J. P. Bowers, Garysburg.	A. S. Edwards, Margarettsville.	4th.		
Lawrence's X Roads	Bertie Co., 1854.	11	4	3	18	10	3	7	20	2	166	175	341	W. P. Jordan, Coleraine.	B. W. Lee, Rosemead.	1st.	
Lawrence's X Roads	Hertford Co., 1729.	24	4	3	31	8	2	10	21	182	209	391	J. A. Speight, Berkley, Va.	O. Parker, Murfreesboro.	1st.		
Lawrence's X Roads	Northampton Co., 1826.	18	2	20	7	2	2	9	11	78	115	193	R. D. Cross, Jackson.	J. H. Joyner, Seaboard.	4th.		
Mc Tabor	Hertford Co., 1839.	7	1	2	10	4	2	8	2	121	156	277	A. T. Howell, Murfreesboro.	J. A. Parker, Mapleton.	1st and 3rd.		
Murfreesboro	Hertford Co., 1843.	1	12	13	5	2	1	8	5	39	67	106	A. T. Howell, Murfreesboro.	W. B. Freeman, Murfreesboro.	2nd and 4th.		
Oak Grove	Hertford Co., 1894.	3	1	4	1	2	3	1	12	55	97	152	T. T. Speight, Lewiston.	S. H. Marsh, Aulander.	3rd.		
Pine Forest	Northampton Co., 1888.	1	3	4	8	1	3	4	4	30	39	69	J. Paul Bowers, Garysburg.	J. H. Carstarphen, Garysburg.	3rd.		
Potocasi	Northampton Co., 1808.	10	2	12	15	9	2	26	14	135	185	320	R. D. Cross, Jackson.	E. B. Lassiter, Potocasi.	2nd.		
Pleasant Grove	Hertford Co., 1837.	20	5	2	27	9	4	2	15	12	105	161	266	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	J. V. Vaughan, Aulander.	4th.	
Pleasant Grove	Bertie Co., 1803.	10	10	10	2	1	3	7	160	230	390	581	F. Bristow, Aulander.	Lev. Hoggard, Drew.	4th.		
Rich Square	Northampton Co., 1854.	1	2	3	4	6	1	11	8	89	120	209	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	J. T. Bolton, Bryantown.	2nd.		
Rich Square	Northampton Co., 1885.	5	1	6	2	2	1	3	3	48	65	113	R. D. Cross, Jackson.	R. O. Lassiter, Lasker.	3rd.		
Rich Square	Bertie Co., 1878.	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	7	36	40	76	C. M. McIntosh, Windsor.	L. H. Pritchard, Windsor.	2nd.		
Roberts Chapel	Northampton Co., 1848.	18	9	2	29	15	6	1	22	7	152	241	393	C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.	W. W. Martin, Conway.	1st and 3rd.	
Ross's	Bertie Co., 1804.	3	1	4	10	4	9	23	19	288	418	706	T. T. Speight, Lewiston.	G. D. White, Windsor.	4th.		
Seaboard	Bertie Co., 1750.	4	1	5	6	3	3	12	7	105	148	253	C. M. McIntosh, Windsor.	W. B. Barnes, Roxobel.	4th.		
Siloam	Northampton Co., 1889.	2	2	2	5	1	6	4	4	43	65	108	D. Cale, Potocasi.	R. T. Stephenson, Seaboard.	3rd.		
Sloam	Northampton Co., 1896.	9	1	10	1	1	1	9	3	33	36	69	S. B. Barnes, Branning.	Lee Bond, Windsor.	4th.		
Sloam	Hertford Co., 1883.	3	2	5	2	2	2	6	1	66	75	141	D. Cale, Potocasi.	W. H. Howell, Severn.	4th.		
St. John's	Hertford Co., 1885.	7	1	7	15	4	3	19	4	76	50	126	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	S. E. Vaughan, St. John's.	1st.		
Union	Hertford Co., 1873.	16	4	1	21	2	8	12	9	78	88	166	T. G. Wood, Aulander.	John Freeman, Union.	1st.		
Woodland	Hertford Co., 1873.	16	4	1	21	2	8	12	9	78	88	166	J. A. Speight, Berkly, Va.	J. A. Downs, Tunis.	4th.		
Woodland	Northampton Co., 1902.	6	6	6	6	6	1	7	1	66	46	102	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.	Lewter McDaniel, Woodland.	4th.		
Total		377	225	64	666	272	122	94	488	289	110	4411	5685	10096			

EXPENSES OF CHURCHES, SUNDAY-SCHOOLS AND MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Churches	Church.					Sunday-School.					Missionary Society.						
	Pastor's Salary	Incidental Expenses	Repairs to Buildings and Grounds	Poor Fund	Minute Fund	Total	Incidental Expenses	Cost of Papers and Quarters	Cost of Books	Poor Fund	Other Objects	Total	Incidental Expenses	Cost of Literature	Cost of Correspondence	Total	Total Expenses of churches in all Departments
Ahoskie	\$350.00	\$38.40	\$75.40	\$5.00	\$3.00	\$471.80		\$21.43	\$5.38			\$27.01					\$498.81
Aulander	200.00	48.00	125.00	10.00	2.00	385.00		18.58				18.58					403.58
Bethlehem	300.00	24.00	843.75	3.00	2.00	1,172.75	\$12.00	10.21	16.00		\$33.33	71.54					1,244.22
Beahm	115.00	9.40	549.18		1.65	675.23		1.91			5.50	7.41					682.64
Brantley's Grove	100.00	17.00	31.82	21.30	2.00	172.12		17.45	6.25	\$1.05	3.50	28.50					200.62
Buchhorn	375.00	20.00			2.00	397.00		12.80				12.80					409.80
Capohart's	75.00	36.70		14.44	1.50	127.64		6.00				6.00					133.64
Cashie	300.00	24.64	200.00	5.72	2.50	532.86	37.41	20.00				57.44	88.00	80.65	\$16.76	\$31.91	622.21
Center Grove	125.00	18.00	22.19	7.35	2.00	174.54		20.25				20.25					194.79
Chowan	300.00	40.00		50.00	1.50	391.50		26.10			8.50	34.60				1.71	427.81
Christian harbor	100.00	14.00	230.00	3.00	1.50	348.50		35.00	5.90	52.00		92.90	2.00			2.00	443.40
Coleraine	150.00	5.50	24.80	3.60	2.00	185.90		15.61	8.61		3.00	27.22					208.15
Conmarita	193.00	34.85	17.86	20.90	2.50	269.11		3.75				3.75					272.86
Cooksville	70.00		175.00		1.00	246.00		14.00				14.00					260.00
Flam	105.75		1.35		1.35	108.25			4.04			4.04					112.29
Galatia	131.37	13.40	78.00	6.67	1.50	230.94		2.62				2.62					233.56
Green's X Roads	125.00		150.00	6.13	1.00	282.13	3.03	9.00				10.03					292.16
Harrellsville	150.00	30.00	3.00	5.94	2.00	190.94	4.97	12.07	1.35		20.00	41.39					232.33
Hebron	150.00	20.00	17.25	12.00	2.00	201.25		4.90	7.00		9.85	21.75					223.00
Hillside	80.00	1.00	142.14		1.00	224.14											224.14
Holly Grove	125.00	10.00			2.00	137.00		3.58				3.58					140.58
Jackson	150.00	50.00	50.00		1.00	251.00		25.50	1.00			26.50					277.50
Kelford	150.00	12.54			1.50	164.04	.35	27.90				28.25		1.00	.10	1.10	193.39
Lawrence's X Roads	125.00	16.00	266.79		1.15	408.94		8.50	7.85			16.35					425.29
Lewiston	175.00	20.00		3.48	1.50	201.98						32.00					232.48
Margarettsville	75.00	12.00	3.00		.75	90.75	.52	3.60			20.00	24.12					114.87
Mars Hill	175.00	20.00		78.00	2.50	275.50											275.50
Meherrin	150.00	65.48	60.00	8.00	2.50	285.96		28.24				28.24					314.20
Mt. Carmel	150.00	13.00	125.00		2.00	290.00		6.27			1.30	7.57			.25	.25	297.82
Mt. Tabor	275.00	28.30		8.19	1.50	312.99		14.80	1.20			16.00					328.99
Murfreesboro	300.00	48.75	45.46		1.65	395.86		31.73	1.00	7.39		40.12			.32	.32	436.30
Oak Grove	75.00	8.69	215.20		.50	299.39			7.62		2.00	9.62					309.01
Pine Forest	100.00	4.00				104.00											107.20
Pine Forest	200.00				2.50	202.50		13.76				13.76	1.00			1.00	217.26
Pleasant Grove	150.00	12.00	2.15	34.77	2.00	200.92		5.00				5.00					205.92
Republican	150.00	10.00	48.00	7.13	2.50	217.63	34.50					34.50					252.13
Rich Square	150.00	25.00			1.00	176.00		11.25	7.75		11.40	30.40	12.00			12.00	218.40
Roadsboro	75.00	8.00	4.29		1.00	88.29		18.00				18.00					106.29
Roanoke	100.00			5.00	.75	105.75											105.75
Robert's Chapel	400.00	30.27		57.76	3.00	491.03		22.00	.30			22.30					513.33
Rocky Run	200.00	23.50	2.35	5.00	3.00	233.85											233.85
Rocky Run	200.00	11.65		8.40	2.00	222.05		13.29				13.29					235.34
Rocky Run	125.00		60.00	2.50	1.00	188.50		12.00				12.00					200.50
Rocky Run	25.00				1.00	26.00						4.00					30.00
Rocky Run	150.00	35.00	475.00		1.50	661.50		17.76			4.00	21.76					683.26
Rocky Run	100.00	15.00	1.50		1.50	118.00		3.00	12.00		15.00	30.00					148.00
Rocky Run	200.00	117.08	9.84		1.50	328.42	6.00	8.87			9.00	23.87					332.29
Rocky Run	250.00	36.00			1.50	287.50		10.25			50.00	60.25					347.75
Rocky Run	75.00	5.00			1.00	81.00		9.58			23.00	32.58		1.11	.21	1.35	114.93
Total	8,050.12	1,032.13	4,045.32	395.28	81.30	13,604.15	99.06	546.76	95.25	1.05	278.77	1,020.89	24.00	9.61	19.23	52.84	14,677.88

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FINANCIAL TABLE.—CHURCH BENEVOLENCE.

Churches	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sunday-School Board.	Orphanage.	Chowan Institute.	Ministers' Relief Board.	Poor Outside of Church	Church Extension.	Other Objects	Total
Ahoskie	\$40.50	\$75.00	\$15.00	\$12.00	\$4.33	\$63.35		\$6.15	\$12.12		\$12.00	\$239.95
Aulander	40.00	35.00	25.00	20.00							5.00	125.00
Bethlehem	35.00	49.00	21.00	15.00		8.00	\$15.00	5.00	6.00	\$8.28	49.02	202.90
Bethany	10.50	10.50	5.50	2.00				2.00			2.21	32.71
Brantley's Grove	17.00	13.00	13.00	3.00		5.00				14.66		65.66
Buckhorn	100.00	15.00	15.00	25.00		35.00			10.00	10.00	42.5	272.84
Capehart's	35.00	37.00	10.00	5.00		5.75				1.00	10.00	103.75
Cashie	16.30	25.21	3.02	7.75		15.28		7.07				74.63
Center Grove	25.00	25.00	15.00	7.00							7.00	77.00
Chowan	28.50	37.36	29.00	15.00		14.20		8.73	10.60	6.00		148.39
Christian Harbor						15.31			3.00		22.58	40.89
Coleraine	40.40	33.00	15.00	7.00		27.84				3.00		125.84
Connarita	25.00	25.00	20.00	10.00		7.20			18.00	31.18	16.85	153.23
Creeksville	12.00	10.00	5.00									27.00
Flam	25.00	15.00	10.00	5.00		5.40				5.00	20.62	86.02
Galatia	18.00	16.00	8.00	5.00		3.00			7.37		30.71	89.38
Green's Cross Roads	15.00	12.50	10.00	2.00		5.50				2.00	2.00	49.00
Harrclsville	20.00	20.00	12.00	5.00		10.00				5.00	18.00	120.00
Hebron	20.00	15.00	20.00	5.00		13.80				65.68	2.75	141.73
Hillside	3.50	7.00	3.50	2.00				2.00				18.00
Holly Grove	15.00	17.00	7.00	8.00					5.35	5.93	46.85	105.13
Jackson	18.00	30.50	17.00	5.00				2.00	3.50	2.00	29.0	107.00
Kelford	20.00	20.00	15.00	3.00		6.10			10.00		21.0	95.10
Lawrence's Cross Roads	10.00	17.00	5.00	3.00		14.00					39.59	88.59
Lewiston	15.00	15.00	12.00	7.00		7.09					30.00	86.09
Margarettsville	14.67	17.45	14.73	6.63				2.00			5.0	61.48
Mars Hill	75.00	28.00	30.00	5.00		60.00				9.50		207.50
Meherrin	15.00	20.00	13.00	2.00		4.00				2.00		56.00
Mt. Carmel	21.73	26.54	10.00	5.00				2.00	6.00		3.0	74.54
Mt. Tabor	20.00	25.00	10.00	5.00		8.00					15.0	83.00
Northboro	26.26	25.00	15.00	7.00		17.66	100.00	2.55		5.00	23.50	222.87
Oak Grove	6.00	6.00	6.00	2.00		5.00					18.50	43.50
Pine Forest	5.07	10.00	2.60								10.80	28.47
Pleasant	25.00	25.00	20.00	10.00		17.25			5.00	23.00	9.00	134.25
Pleasant Grove	22.50	30.00	16.00	10.00		6.29			3.00	30.00		113.79
Publican	25.00	25.00	12.00	7.00		11.63		4.22		2.00	19.17	105.45
Rich Square	20.00	25.00	15.00	4.00						76.15		140.15
Shamble	8.00	10.00	4.00	2.10				1.12				25.22
Shiloh	6.00	6.00	5.00	1.00		2.60						20.60
Robert's Chapel	100.00	52.48	30.00	15.00							65.00	262.48
Ross's	30.00	33.00	12.50	5.00		25.00		4.00	15.09	3.10	.74	128.43
Ross's Run	30.00	30.00	20.00	10.00						30.00		120.00
Seaboard	10.00	15.00	11.00	5.00		20.00						61.00
Shiloh	2.00	3.00	2.00	2.00							1.05	10.05
Shiloh	25.00	15.00	15.00	6.00		5.00					2.50	68.50
St. John's	17.00	12.00	8.00	2.00		4.50				17.30		60.80
Union	20.00	30.00	20.00	10.00		50.00						130.00
Union	15.00	15.00	10.00	10.00		1.46				7.00	21.15	79.61
Woodland	10.00	10.00	10.00	5.00								35.00
Total	1,157.02	1,090.54	622.85	305.48	4.33	502.08	115.00	48.84	105.03	369.87	612.04	4,033.84

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Churches	Amount received	Amount paid	Amount received	Amount paid
Woodland	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Union	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
St. John's	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Seaboard	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Sandy Run	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Rose's	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Robert's Chapel	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Renold	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Rich Square	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Republican	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Pleasant Grove	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Potomac	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Pine Point	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Oak Grove	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Mt. Tabor	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Mr. Carnel	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Meber	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Mars Hill	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Martinsville	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Lewiston	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Lawnview's Cross Roads	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Kelford	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Jackson	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Holly Grove	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Hillside	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Hobon	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Hartsville	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Green's Cross Roads	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Galatia	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Elam	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Crocksville	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Conover	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Coleraine	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Christian Harbor	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Chowan	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Center Grove	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Cashie	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Capbar	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Buckhorn	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Brantley's Grove	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Bethany	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Belahem	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Anland	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Abokie	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00

Total

FINANCIAL TABLE.—SUNDAY-SCHOOL BENEVOLENCE.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sunday-School Board.	Orphanage.	Ministers' Relief Board.	Poor Outside of School.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.	Total.
Alonskie						\$6.25					\$6.25
Avalon						60.00					60.00
Bethlehem						30.59					30.59
Bethany											
Brantley's Grove		\$3.37	\$3.40						\$3.50		10.27
Buckhorn						29.38					29.38
Capehart's											
Cashie		1.58	8.00			25.00					34.58
Center Grove						20.02					20.02
Chowan		5.00				27.00					32.00
Christian Harbor					\$2.50			\$2.00			4.50
Coleraine						10.45			3.00		13.45
Connarita											
Creeksville											
Elam						5.86					5.86
Galatia											
Green's Cross Roads		1.52				5.55		1.33	1.76		8.16
Harrellsville						39.00				\$ 5.00	35.00
Hebron											
Hillside		1.00									1.00
Holly Grove		2.00				3.00					5.00
Jackson						20.25			2.00		22.25
Kelley	\$2.08	4.86	2.92			6.50					16.36
Lawrence's Cross Roads											
Lewiston						12.00					12.00
Margarettsville						12.00					12.00
Mars Hill											
Meherrin		2.42	2.00			6.00			3.00		13.13
Mt. Carmel						9.03	\$1.00		4.00		14.46
Mt. Tabor						3.60					3.60
Murfreesboro	6.80	6.55	6.79	\$3.05		23.82		7.35	2.41	1.20	57.99
Pine Forest											
Potocasi						1.50					1.50
Pleasant Grove						12.22					12.22
Republican											
Rich Square		4.47	4.85			4.71					14.03
Rich Square						5.00					5.00
Roanoke										5.00	5.00
Robert's Chapel						60.00					60.00
Saboard						63.15					63.15
Savannah											
Savannah		2.75				25.13			5.00	4.71	37.59
Union										5.00	5.00
Union		7.00				2.50					9.50
Woodland						15.25			4.00	5.00	24.25
Total	8.88	42.23	27.96	3.05	2.50	463.78	1.00	10.70	28.67	26.24	676.99

LIBRARY JALMA 1919

Donor	Amount	Total	Balance	Amount	Amount
Woodland	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Winton	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Union	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
St. John's	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Severn	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
St. Paul	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
St. Andrew	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Sandy Spring	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Rose	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00
Robert's Chapel	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Rodriguez	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Leonora	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
High Street	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Republican	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Plaza Grove	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50
Mr. Taylor	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Mr. Gurney	21.75	21.75	21.75	21.75	21.75
Mr. Gurney	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Mrs. Hill	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Margaretville	17.07	17.07	17.07	17.07	17.07
Landon	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Lawrence's Grove Woods	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Richard	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Richard	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Holly Grove	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Hillside	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50
Hydon	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Harleyville	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Green's Grove Woods	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Galatia	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Blum	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Greenfield	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Constitution	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Coleraine	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.10
Christian Harbor	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Lawrence	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Central Grove	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Central	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
Cypress	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00
Buckhorn	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Grant's Grove	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Bethany	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
Bethlehem	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Andrus	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Abraham	210.50	210.50	210.50	210.50	210.50
Total	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00

FINANCIAL TABLE.—MISSIONARY SOCIETY BENEVOLENCE.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sunday-School Board.	Orphanage.	Ministers' Relief Board.	Poor Outside of Society.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.	Total.	Total Benevolence of Churches in all Departments.
Askie	\$10.00	\$12.50	\$5.00	\$2.50					\$82.51	\$3.50	\$116.01	\$362.21
Alander	5.00										5.00	190.00
Alchem												233.49
Any												32.71
Antley's Grove												75.93
Chorn	10.50	9.26	88.30								108.06	410.28
Chart's												103.75
Cashie	25.07	27.17	28.00	7.25		\$5.00					92.49	201.70
Cher Grove												97.62
Chen	25.00	12.64	12.65			10.00				33.14	94.23	274.62
Christian Harbor	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.00							19.00	64.39
Craige												139.29
Maritsa												153.23
Croftsville												27.00
	6.75	15.00									21.75	113.63
Croft												98.38
Croft's Cross Roads												57.16
Croftsville												155.00
Croft	3.38	6.89	4.95							4.50	19.72	141.73
Croft												19.00
Holly Grove												110.13
Croft	15.75	8.00									23.75	153.00
Kelford										50.00	50.00	161.46
Croft's Cross Roads		7.00									7.00	95.59
Croft	3.04										3.04	98.13
Croftsville												73.48
Mars Hill												207.50
McMerrin	3.27	3.27	3.28								9.82	78.95
McMerrin	10.45	2.67	5.01								18.13	107.15
McMerrin	1.44	7.00	16.88								25.32	111.92
McMerrin	3.32	4.91								7.55	15.78	296.64
Oak Grove												43.50
Oak Grove	3.00	1.50	2.00								6.50	36.47
Potocasi	4.54	12.75	5.71							6.00	29.00	175.47
Pleasant Grove	1.50	1.17	1.00							3.67		113.79
Pleasant Grove												119.48
Rich Square												145.15
Rich Square	1.27	.59	2.41							.74	5.01	35.23
Requist												20.60
Robert's Chapel		4.66	3.00								7.66	320.14
Ross's												128.43
Sandy Run								\$27.37	5.00	5.00	37.37	210.52
Seaboard	2.25	1.25	3.10							.60	7.00	68.00
Siloam												10.05
St. John's												106.09
St. John's											9.03	144.03
Woodland	1.85	3.69	7.87								13.41	89.11
Woodland												72.66
Total	143.38	147.92	195.16	8.25		15.00		27.37	87.51	114.70	744.08	6,344.39

FINANCIAL TABLE—MISSIONARY

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Baptist Orphanage—W. L. Britto, Franklin Cale, J. W. Boone.
Ministers' Relief—K. Bass, J. A. Copeland, John Mitchell.
Periodicals—J. R. Taylor, M. M. Long, A. A. Pierce.
C. B. F. Institute—T. T. Speight, J. A. Modlin, C. L. L. Cobb.
Home Missions—S. B. Barnes, Josiah Brown.
Foreign Missions—J. P. Brown, Arthur Jenkins, G. D. Payne.
Church Statistics—J. P. Freeman, G. W. White, J. G. Stancel.
Temperance—D. Cale, Josiah Earley, A. J. White.

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J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator.....	Winton, N. C.
N. W. Britton, Clerk.....	Woodland, N. C.
C. W. Harrell, Treasurer.....	Woodland, N. C.
E. J. Harrell, Historian.....	Woodland, N. C.

The officers constitute the Executive Committee of the Association.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

MEMEBERSHIP.

ART. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: *Provided*, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECTS.

ART. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

ART. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but can not bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

ART. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for dismission.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

ART. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

ART. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

ART. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality; (2) the names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post-offices; (3) the Sabbaths of regular service; (4) the church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased,

expelled and aggregate membership, male and female; (5) Sabbath school statistics; (6) amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund; (7) names of delegates and alternates; (8) any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

ART. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order, and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

ART. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

ART. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

ART. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

ART. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the Minutes an historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

ART. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved, 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. (Adopted 1898.)

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

11 A. M.—Introductory sermon.

12 M.—Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.

12:30 P. M.—Recess.

2 P. M.—Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize. Read Constitution. Call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session. Receive new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint committees.

3 P. M.—Report on Temperance.

3:30 P. M.—Report on Periodicals.

4 P. M.—Assignment of Homes. Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional exercises.

10 A. M.—Routine business.

10:15 A. M.—Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.

11 A. M.—Report on Education.

11:45 A. M.—Report on Education.

11:45 A. M.—Report on State Missions.

12:30 P. M.—Recess.

2 P. M.—Convene. Routine business.

2:10 P. M.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.

2:30 P. M.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.

3:15 P. M.—Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional exercises.

10 A. M.—Convene. Routine business.

10:15 A. M.—Report on Home Missions.

11 A. M.—Report on Church Statistics.

11:15 A. M.—Report of committees. Miscellaneous business. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

ROSS'S BAPTIST CHURCH, October 25, 1904.

The twenty-second session of the West Chowan Association meets this day with the Ross's Baptist church.

Brother A. T. Howell preaches the introductory sermon from Exodus 10:26.

The Moderator calls the Association to order and Brother E. J. Harrell leads in prayer.

Delegates are enrolled as follows:

- Ahoskie*—J. S. Mitchell, Wilmer Modlin, R. H. Overton.
Aulander—A. W. Earley, W. J. Dunning, C. W. Mitchell.
Bethlehem—R. P. Thomas, A. Bass, *W. P. Shaw.
Bethany—*Thaddeus A. Perry, W. D. Robertson.
Brantley's Grove—P. D. Parker, W. J. Cowan.
Buckhorn—R. J. Taylor, W. T. Taylor, E. Howell.
Capehart's—H. J. Ward, John F. Taylor, F. P. Britt.
Cashie—J. H. White, E. L. Gatling, W. R. Cobb.
Center Grove—J. E. Mathews, J. R. Mathews, L. J. Goodwin.
Chowan—*W. P. Taylor, *James P. Freeman.
Christian Harbor—*J. H. Evans, Starkey Hare, *A. E. Leicester.
Coleraine—H. E. Wilson, A. A. Pearce, W. H. Harrell.
Connaritsa—Josiah Early, J. P. Slade, R. A. Myers.
Creeksville—J. W. Britton, *J. J. Lassiter.
Elam—*T. J. Taylor, *C. L. Stephenson, *E. W. Woodruff.
Galatia—D. W. Taylor, J. W. Taylor, G. W. Britt.
Green's X Roads—Franklin Cale, W. H. Mizelle.
Harrellsville—J. T. Williams, W. E. Miller, R. F. Lowe.
Hebron—*Pena Parker, *W. L. Johnson, J. P. Griffin.
Hillside—J. B. Saunders, G. P. Bazemore.
Holly Grove—J. W. Mitchell, J. J. Mizelle.
Jackson—C. J. Bradley, *B. F. Davis, C. W. Newsome.
Kelford—C. L. L. Cobb, W. J. Parker.
Lawrence's X Roads—J. W. Langdale, J. M. Britt, C. W. Mitchell.
Lewiston—J. A. Modlin, B. F. Parker, W. Mitchell.
Margarettsville—*John G. Stancel, *Jordan Edwards.
Mar's Hill—K. Bass, S. M. Pearce, W. D. Perry.
Meherrin—*W. S. Nelson, J. T. Chitty, *R. C. Benthall, S. D. Cook.
Mount Carmel—*E. C. Allen, *H. N. Rochelle, *J. G. Joyner.
Mount Tabor—J. W. Boone, *T. E. Brown, E. Brett.
Murfreesboro—J. C. Scarborough, G. D. Payne, *H. V. Scarborough.
Oak Grove—H. C. Holloman, R. R. Penwell.
Pine Forest—*J. A. Collier, *J. R. Carstarphen.
Potecasi—Arthur J. Jenkins, *C. G. Powell, *C. R. Harrell.
Pleasant Grove—J. N. Baugham, Kader Powell, Lear Teaster.
Republican—William Pritchard, G. W. White, J. H. Burden, J. R. Cherry.
Rich Square—A. Vann, *J. T. Balton, *W. D. Brown.
Roanoke—*J. V. Holloman, J. L. Newsome, R. C. Lassiter.
Roquist—John Johnson, J. M. Yates.
Robert's Chapel—*John Barnes, *J. H. Stephenson, *J. W. Martin, *D. K. Edwards.

Ross's—A. J. White, John Mitchell, C. J. Hughes, K. P. White.
Sandy Run—*J. H. Peele, W. J. Watson, Bennie Burkett.
Seaboard—*A. W. Edwards, *J. R. Crocker, *H. P. Grizzard.
Siloam—B. Leggett, C. B. Speller.
Severn—M. M. Long, *G. T. Fleetwood.
St. John's—W. P. Howard, E. G. Howard.
Union—J. A. Copeland, *Julian Brown.
Winton—James Mitchell, W. D. McGlawhan.
Woodland—N. W. Britton, C. W. Harrell.

*Absent.

Brethren R. P. Thomas, R. J. Taylor, E. L. Gatling, A. Vann and J. L. Newsome are appointed a Committee on Credentials.

The Association adjourns for dinner.

Brother M. L. Green pronounces the benediction.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association meets at 2 o'clock and is led in prayer by Brother J. R. Taylor.

The Committee on Credentials reports all the churches in accord with the Constitution.

The report is adopted.

Permanent organization is effected as follows: Moderator, C. W. Mitchell; Vice-Moderator, J. S. Mitchell; Clerk, N. W. Britton; Treasurer, C. W. Harrell; Historian, E. J. Harrell.

Brother A. T. Howell reads the Constitution and Rules of Order.

Brethren J. S. Farmer, representing the *Biblical Recorder*; J. B. Carlyle, of Wake Forest College; S. F. Conrad, representing the *North Carolina Baptist*; H. C. Moore, Sunday School Secretary, are invited to seats in the Association. Brethren J. W. Rose and W. L. Britt are new pastors with us.

The pastor and deacons of Ross's church are appointed a Committee on Religious Services for this session.

The Moderator appoints Brethren J. H. White, W. P. Howard and J. P. Griffin a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for the next session of this body.

Brethren W. E. Miller, J. W. Langdale and F. P. Britt are appointed a Committee on Finance.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The Bible says: "Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood, and establisheth a city by iniquity."

"Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him and makest him drunken also."

The Southern Baptist Convention says: "We favor prohibition for the nation and the State, and total abstinence for the individual; and we believe that no Christian citizen should ever cast a ballot for any man, measure or platform that is opposed to the destruction of the liquor traffic."

The Methodist General Conference says: "No citizen and no Christian has a right by example, by voice, by influence or by his ballot to contribute to the establishment or maintenance of the ungodly license policy as applied to the liquor traffic."

The United States Supreme Court says: "There is no inherent right in a citizen to sell intoxicating liquor by retail; it is not a privilege of a citizen of a State or of a citizen of the United States."

The Supreme Court of North Carolina says: "The liquor traffic is dangerous to society in its moral effects, and injurious to the material welfare of the Commonwealth."

The battle is on—the issue is squarely drawn. It is right against wrong; the home against the saloon. On which side are you?

T. G. WOOD,
W. J. EARLY,
Committee.

This report is discussed by Brethren J. A. Speight and S. F. Conrad.

Pending the adoption of this report, Brother L. M. Curtis offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to construe the temperance resolution in the Constitution in its relations to the present dispensary system.

The resolution is adopted.

After further discussion of the temperance report by Brethren T. T. Speight, L. M. Curtis, W. L. Britt, J. C. Scarborough and J. T. Williams, it is adopted.

Brother J. S. Mitchell reads the report on Periodicals.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Perhaps at no period in the history of our country has the influence of the press been more potential in shaping public opinion and moulding character than at the present. The rural free delivery system has materially aided the newspapers of the land in making daily visits to many of our country homes and thus increased their power for good or for evil.

Again, it may be said, that no age prior to this has been burdened with such a spirit of sensationalism and pandering to the baser instincts of man, as that which characterizes much of the secular press of to-day.

Progress has brought with it many evils as well as untold blessings.

These evil influences must be met and overcome, largely, by the religious press of our land. We commend the *Biblical Recorder* for the courage it has displayed in waging war against many of the evils that have escaped public condemnation; we commend it for its able and high-toned editorials upon some of the vital issues that confront us; we commend it for that God-like spirit which recognizes the brotherhood of man; we recommend it as sound in the doctrines of the New Testament, as held by the Baptists, and true to every interest of our denomination in North Carolina.

We also recommend the *Foreign Mission Journal*, *Charity and Children* and our Sunday School literature.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES S. MITCHELL,
E. WHITE,
ISAIAH CASTELLOW,
Committee.

The report is spoken to by Brethren J. S. Farmer and S. F. Conrad, and is adopted.

Homes are now assigned the delegates.

The Association adjourns with prayer by Brother C. W. Scarborough.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Moderator calls the Association to order at 10 o'clock and Brother Livingston Johnson leads in prayer.

Special prayer is offered for Brother W. D. White, who is an afflicted brother of this church.

Brethren L. Johnson, C. E. Edwards and F. D. Winston are recognized and welcomed to seats with us.

At this point Brother R. P. Thomas reads the report on C. B. F. Institute.

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST INSTITUTE.

Your committee accepts it as a matter of profound congratulation and sincere heartfelt gratitude that in the kind providence of God the Chowan Baptist Institute, which, for fifty-six years, has stood as a beacon light giving forth a bright luster, not only to our section, but to the State and other States as well, through the refined, educated Christian womanhood of her daughters, is not behind in the general educational awakening and intellectual progress of the times.

Under the judicious management of the present administration there has been a steady increase of patronage each year since 1897, until the opening of the present session of 1904, in September, when the number of pupils boarding in the Institute reached the highest number in twenty years, the present enrollment of the session already numbering eighty-six boarding pupils, with twenty-nine day pupils not boarding in the Institute.

The Board of Trustees has done all that could be effected to advance the improvement and progress of the school with the limited means at hand. A new building for the Primary Department, which gave up its quarters to make room for the enlargement of the Science Department, has been constructed.

In order to accommodate the increased patronage, the situation became such as to necessitate a large number of dormitory rooms. The chapel has been converted into ten such rooms, in this way providing for twenty additional pupils. This change makes the construction of a new chapel of sufficient dimensions to meet the present demand and the prospect in future growth of the school an imperative necessity, together with a dining room sufficiently large to afford needed accommodations for the increased boarding patronage.

For these improvements, made so eminently necessary by the enlarged growth and public interest in the school, steps should be taken looking to the raising of funds to meet the required expenses.

The Board of Trustees has appointed a committee to suggest plans and make an estimate of the probable cost of these important improvements; and the Board earnestly desires that your body, at

its present session, take in consideration the wisdom of placing in the field one or more agents with a view of raising funds to accomplish this work.

In sacred memory of the founders of this school of learning, in cherished recollections of its past history and work, your committee would ask and urge a due consideration of the situation.

With an enthusiastic, intelligent and hopeful administration; an earnest, cheerful and efficient faculty, and a contented, appreciative and healthy student body, the outlook of the present scholastic year is peculiarly bright and should not fail to inspire us with encouragement and hope for the future welfare and progress of the school.

W. P. SHAW,
J. C. STEPHENSON,
W. J. HARRELL,
Committee.

The report is spoken to by Brethren J. C. Scarborough, L. M. Curtis, R. P. Thomas and T. G. Wood.

The following resolution by Brother C. W. Scarborough is adopted:

Resolved, That this Association hereby expresses its confidence in the wisdom of the Board of Trustees of C. B. F. Institute, and pledges itself to the plans of the Board for the enlargement and better equipment of our school.

The report is adopted.

The following visitors are welcomed to seats: Brother R. L. Davis, of the Methodist Church; Brother J. W. Bailey, of the *Biblical Recorder*, and Brother A. Johnson, of *Charity and Children*.

Brother John Mitchell reads the report on Education.

EDUCATION.

It is the education of our young ministers that special attention is called to in this report. God is still calling poor, pious, Godly young men to the work of the ministry. And it behooves them all to make the very best preparation for their work, and to do the best they can for the Master. The importance and usefulness of the work demands it.

Our brethren, long ago, have expressed a willingness to help them in the need. The help usually given is tuition and board while at college. Tuition is made free and board is provided for by annual subscriptions. The success of the work has been greatly encouraging. Many of our most useful ministers at home and abroad have been aided by the Board of Education, and, under God, prepared for the great work done in the growth and development of the Baptist people and in giving the Gospel to the heathen. And the work still grows upon us.

The numbers needing help is increasing, and the most thorough preparation is demanded. The large number now at college, under the auspices of the Board requires that our contributions be continued and increased. And there are still others needing help.

Would that we might be able to help all the worthy young ministers who may apply.

Respectfully submitted,

J. MITCHELL, *Chairman.*

Brother John Mitchell speaks to the report, after which Brother J. B. Carlyle addresses the Association on education.

The roll of churches is called and pledges made for 1905.

The report is adopted.

Brother J. T. Williams presents the report on State Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

It is of the utmost importance that the Baptists of North Carolina speedily recognize that our State mission work is the bed-rock, the very foundation stone, upon which the whole structure of our evangelic work in the State rests. Enlargement seems to be the battle cry in North Carolina. If that is to be the battle cry, it is clear that our first attention should be directed to State missions. Let us first broaden and lengthen and strengthen our foundation work, then the way will be clear for us to go forward and enlarge upon every other department of our work for Christ and His kingdom. We sometimes fear that many Baptists in the State whose lots have been cast in favored places—places where the preaching of the Gospel can be heard any Sabbath in the year—are not sufficiently interested in State missions; they seem to forget that there are still in our State large sections where the Gospel is seldom preached and many places where it is not preached at all by the Baptists. The State Mission Board is trying, and under God's blessing is, covering these waste places as fast as is possible with the means at their command. Manufacturing is rapidly developing in our State, whole towns are being built, whose population is largely engaged in factory work. It is of vital importance that the Gospel be preached to these people and that the Baptists plant churches in these centers of increasing population. This, your State Mission Board is doing. Then there is that vast territory (the Land of the Skys) lying west of the Blue Ridge mountains, upon which the eyes of the nation are now turned; a land possessing undeveloped water power sufficient to turn one-half the machinery of the nation; a land underneath whose surface lies gold, silver, copper, iron, precious stones and other minerals, the aggregate value of which would, in all probability, astound the greatest financiers; a land possessed of such vast material wealth is, and must continue, to attract the attention of the people of this continent, as well as of other parts of the world. Our State Mission Board has not been slow in seeing the necessity of planting churches in this rich and undeveloped country. The work is calling for enlargement in our contributions in order that we may keep abreast of the times and keep the Baptist flag unfurled, that we may martial this increasing population under its folds for glory and for God. This field is large, and ripe for the harvest. If we would reap our share of the golden grain we must increase the number and efficiency of our laborers, and do so speedily. We must build houses, we must send the Gospel, that the people may hear, and hearing, they will be converted and brought into the churches (how great is our responsibility right here?) Last year the Baptists of the State gave \$25,000 to State mission. We confidently believe that in a few years that that \$25,000 will return to the Baptists of the State \$50,000. The Board has employed 125 missionaries in the field. They are going thither and thither in those waste places, speedily but surely, under God's guidance, planting churches that will in time become self-sustaining and towers of

strength for God and the denomination as the communities in which they are located shall be developed.

Your Board has done much colportage work during the present year in factory towns, at one time employing as many as ten or twelve young ministerial students. There are also a number of church houses in course of construction. In many other places the demand for houses in which to preach is great. The Board, after careful consideration, has decided to ask the Baptists of the State for \$30,000 to enable it to properly prosecute this work. This may, to some, appear to be more increase than we are prepared to meet, but not so. God in His goodness has, to a large extent, removed the great burden of poverty and want that weighed heavily upon us for many years, and to-day we are enjoying a period of material prosperity; such as the people of our State (as a whole) have never before experienced. If we should hope for, or expect, God's material blessings still to rest upon us, we must be just to Him. It would be manifestly unjust should we fail to return to Him a proper share of what He has given us. We trust that every Baptist in the State, and especially those of the West Chowan Association, will put his shoulder to the wheel and speedily, but cheerfully, raise the amount that God, through our State Mission Board, has called for.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. WILLIAMS,
For the Committee.

The report is discussed by Brethren J. T. Williams and Livingston Johnson, and is adopted.

At this point Brother H. C. Moore speaks on the Sunday School work of the State.

The Association adjourns for dinner.

Benediction by Brother C. M. McIntosh.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association convenes at 2 o'clock and is led in prayer by Brother John Mitchell.

The report on Ministers' Relief Board is read by Brother C. W. Scarborough.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

This Board undertakes to relieve in part the needs of our aged and dependent ministers, and their widows, when they are also dependent. It began work in a small way, received but little, but used its funds so wisely that its work is increasing encouragingly.

It has not been able to help all who have applied, nor to give all the help asked for to those whom it has helped. After satisfactory evidence of worthiness on the part of those asking aid, its funds are distributed in proportion to the necessities of the individual case.

From the beginning the Convention instructed this Board to set apart one-third of its annual income for a permanent "Interest-Bearing Fund," so that two-thirds of the contributions of each year and all accumulated interest is spent in the work of the Board. The churches gave to this work last year \$1,448.40. Last year

(1903) there were twenty-three beneficiaries; this year twenty-four are receiving aid.

No member of this Board is paid anything for his services. Your committee takes this method of appealing to the churches to come to the help of this Board in its noble work.

B. F. MARTIN,
For Committee.

Remarks are made by Bretären C. W. Scarborough, J. A. Speight, L. M. Curtis and W. L. Britt.

The report is adopted.

The report on the Orphanage is as follows:

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Lord has multiplied His blessings to the Baptist people since the day on which, under the leadings of His providence and the guidance of the Spirit, we organized our Orphanage for the maintenance, education and religious instruction of the orphan children of our State. The Orphanage stands among us as an example of the unselfishness which Christ taught as the foundation principle of His religion and its doctrines.

The children bereft of parents and the means of proper support and care are put on our hearts by His providence for our highest and best good no less than for the highest and best good of the children.

He taught His disciples, by placing a little child before them, that to be great in the kingdom of heaven one must humble himself and become as a little child. He teaches us in and by our orphanage work the sweetness and blessedness of unselfish service to Him rendered through service done for helpless little children, made helpless by Him that we through their helplessness may be made strong.

All His work in our hands is important, and no one work is to be reckoned as of little value. Along with the other work we have in hand for the advancement of Christ's kingdom, the Orphanage stands a monument of Christ's love for, and honor to, His churches no less than a monument of His grace and love for children.

The Orphanage has in its care now 280 children to be fed, clothed and properly educated and trained for service as citizens of our country and for the citizenship of heaven. These are dependent upon our contributions and activity in their behalf. They are Christ's wards committed to us, for whom He holds us to account. Our guardianship over them for Him is a blessed privilege as well as a great responsibility. We will enjoy the privilege and meet the responsibility like men and women who love Him and with glad hearts do His will.

There has thus far been no abatement of the scourge of typhoid fever at the Orphanage. Sixty-five children have had the fever. Twenty-five of these are now sick. We ought to rejoice that so few of the children have died. Out of the very large number of the children who have up to this time had the fever, only two deaths have been reported. The extra expense on the Orphanage funds have been great. The treasury needs our contributions steadily flowing into it in order that the extra expense may be met. The thanks of the churches are due, and are hereby heartily ten-

dered, to the faithful men and loving, tender women for their great service and tender care for the sick children, and to the learned and faithful physician who has rendered such efficient service in this the greatest trial ever sent upon the Orphanage. Our prayers go up to God for the afflicted and for the watchers.

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
For the Committee.

Remarks are made by Brethren J. C. Scarborough and T. T. Speight. Brother A. Johnson gives the Association some valuable information as to what is being done at the Orphanage.

A cash collection is taken amounting to \$66.94.

The report is adopted.

Brother C. M. McIntosh reads the report on Home Missions.

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board has had a useful history. It has broadened, unified and directed mission work in our Southland since its organization. Remote and isolated States and Associations are brought into closeness of touch and into sympathy with the general work, so that the Lord has blessed us till we have *millions* of Baptists—white and colored—by far the strongest Baptist body in the world as to numbers.

The magnitude and importance of the work of our Home Board is not a new theme. The ambition of the world lies often in a desire for new machinery, new methods and new men. But our success depends greatly on the direction of our energies in propagating the old faith with greater skill. Money in the enlightenment and enlistment of the Baptist of the South is money spent precisely where it will count most in the evangelization of the world. The singular weakness of Southern Baptist is the want of a sound New Testament life gathered around the great purpose for which Christ died, for which saints and churches live in the world. The utilization of all our forces is the supreme need of the hour and that means a thorough scriptural training in the churches. This is a matter that this Association needs most of all to now lay at heart.

(1) Mountain region. We have within our bounds a mountain country which has its length and breadth and educational uprising, railroads, mines, saw mills, academies, missionaries are helping to inspire its awakening masses. The situation makes a Baptist opportunity. There are *our own* people; and the supreme need is development. We can not even hope to approximate our duty to the heathen world as long as our people in the home fields are undeveloped. A true significance of *home* missions is *foreign* missions.

(2) Frontier work. The work of the Board on the frontier has been wonderfully blessed—growing in interest from year to year. A sense of tremendous importance grows upon us as we learn more about it. No just conception of its vastness can come to one who views it through local glasses. The situation in Texas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana can not be appreciated by brethren who live on the Atlantic slope any more than the brethren away from the mountain region realize the peril and promise of the mountain school work. The need is great and the progress wonderful. So if we will take it for God the people will be received and soon become a power for good in the world.

(3) *Foreigners.* There are nine million or more Germans, Frenchmen, Italians, Chinese in our Southland—whom God has sent to our doors. The winning of the vast hordes of foreigners who have come and who are coming to our shores is surely a matter of greatest importance. And unless they become Christians they will be as the enemies of God in Canaan were to the Israelites—"snares and tares, scourges in their sides, and thorns in their eyes until they (the people of God) perish off this good land which the Lord our God hath given us."

(4) *Cities.* The cities, too, like St. Louis, Baltimore, New Orleans, Galveston, Joplin, with their teeming multitudes steadily pierce our souls with their cries for help. The work here is so pressing that the Board is keenly alive to these calls, because Baptists are weak in most of these States.

(5) *Negroes.* There are ten million of these. Since the period of emancipation the Board has been engaged in giving the Gospel to the negroes of the South. We have two million negro Baptists who are all an exodus from their past bondage of inefficiency and helplessness to what seems a Canaan indeed. There is great need for good, earnest, honest Christian work among them. We believe this can be more effectually accomplished in co-operation with the negroes themselves. They need our sympathy, advice, encouragement and help to bring them to Christ.

(6) *Cuba.* The growth of our work in Cuba is very gratifying. The addition to the churches and the general spread of Baptist influence is all we could reasonably expect. The Board is supporting nineteen stations and thirty missionaries. The conditions in Cuba are favorable for substantial advance in the work. Yet her needs are many—the opening of twenty new missions, more men, more schools and a high-grade college in Havana, a denominational paper, the immediate purchase of suitable sites and the erection of churches.

The Home Board has a Church Building Department, which assists in the erecting of Baptist meeting houses over the field of the entire South. A church building crystallizes the moral sentiment of a community. It is the rallying point of spiritual forces. The first denomination that builds a churches seizes the key to the situation. A dashing and daring Southern general, when asked the secret of his success, replied: "To get there *first* with the most men." Just so is it necessary that a meeting house should stand at every needed place before the desired results can be accomplished.

Your committee will close this report by appending a partial annual report of the Home Board: Missionaries, 616; churches and stations, 2,244; baptisms, 7,506; total additions, 16,797; houses of worship built and improved, 179; Sunday Schools organized, 714; Bibles and Testaments distributed, 18,275; the aggregate net increase in cash contributions, 23 per cent.

To see the work prosper so brings joy to our hearts, yet we plead for more liberal gifts to help us take the world for Christ.

C. M. McINTOSH.

The report is spoken to by Brother J. W. Bailey.

This subject is continued for to-morrow.

The delegates from Christian Harbor are excused from further session of the Association.

On motion, the Association adjourns.

Benediction by Brother J. A. Speight.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association meets with Vice-Moderator J. S. Mitchell presiding. Brother L. M. Curtis leads in prayer.

The committee to construe the temperance resolution in the Constitution as it relates to the present dispensary system, reports as follows:

Resolved, That it is the sense of your committee that selling intoxicating liquors through a dispensary is a violation of the spirit and letter of the resolution in our Constitution.

R. P. THOMAS,
J. C. SCARBOROUGH,
L. M. CURTIS,

Committee.

The resolution is adopted.

The subject of Home Missions is resumed.

Brother J. A. Speight offers the following resolution, which is adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the churches composing the West Chowan Association that the mission work of the Home Board in Cuba be turned over to the Foreign Mission Board.

Remarks on Home Mission work are made by Brethren C. W. Scarborough, J. A. Speight and J. C. Scarborough. The roll is called and pledges made.

The report is adopted.

Brother A. T. Howell makes the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

When the Lord Jesus Christ uttered His parting words to His disciples in Galilee, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," He launched the greatest movement in the annals of time—a movement destined to lay the nations of earth conquered at the feet of King Immanuel. The Bible, God's Word, is a book of missions, a book of universal conquest for our King. Its prophecies, prayers, promises and precepts all teach this.

The devil does not want the world to be evangelized. He has done all in his power to oppose and retard it, using ignorance, superstition, wickedness in every form in heathen lands, and prejudice, selfishness, negligence and other sins in Christian lands. So to-day, nineteen centuries after Christ poured out His heart's blood on Calvary for the redemption of a lost world, two-thirds of the race is groping in sin's darkness and blight. But it is with profound gratitude to God that we can at the end of another associational year report enlargement and progress in every phase of our foreign mission work.

Last year the Southern Baptist Convention sent out sixteen new missionaries and our contributions reached the sum of \$247,629.69, this being about 13 cents per capita. Our women gave about \$48,000 of this amount.

The Lord gave us by baptism 2,076 members. In the last seven years we have doubled our gifts to foreign missions and the Lord has tripled the number of conversions on the foreign field. Think of twenty new churches with over one hundred members each

added in one year! What a power these will be in the coming years!

North Carolina, with 1,720 churches, 182,000 church members, gave last year to foreign mission \$17,561.15. The West Chowan Association gave last year \$1,157.02. This is not all that ten thousand prosperous Baptists can give to save the world for which the Son of God died. We have but as yet touched the fringe of our possibilities.

Already thirty-five new missionaries have been appointed this year, and it is quite likely that a number of others will be appointed soon. And these, too, are choice men and women of culture and consecration. While God is calling our choicest workers to unfurl the banner of the Cross along the "far-flung battle line" ought not our hearts to be stirred to give greater gifts in money? God's smile is resting on all departments of our foreign mission work. We feel that the day is fast hastening when the world's kingdoms shall become the kingdom of our God and His Christ, and the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the water covers the great deep. It is the purpose of our Board to make each mission strong and effective as well as to open up new fields. To this end they are procuring homes for our missionaries, opening schools and hospitals and helping to establish publication houses. Our Board, at the suggestion of the Convention, has decided to open new fields. We have opened a mission in Argentina, South America. This growing, developing country sadly needs the Gospel as we have it. With its millions of inhabitants not much mission work has been done there by evangelical Christians. So we have begun operations in Buenos Ayres, the capital city, a city of some 850,000 inhabitants. We already have on that mission five strong, consecrated missionaries and these are clamoring for more helpers.

A mission in Persia will also be opened as soon as practical. This is a country of historic interest with nine millions of inhabitants. Glorious reports are coming in from our missionaries on all our fields. Notwithstanding wars and rumors of wars the work goes steadily forward. Forward is our battle cry.

CHINA. The reports from China, the world's greatest mission field, are very encouraging. Slow, conservative China is actually moving. Idolatry is being dethroned and Christ enthroned. The membership of our churches in China has been more than doubled in the last five years. Last year they report 570 baptisms.

AFRICA. The efforts of our missionaries in Africa are being crowned with success. Our four ordained missionaries report 187 baptisms. American whiskey is greatly hindering our work in Africa.

JAPAN. The forty millions of people of Japan are startling the whole world with phenomenal development. The war between Japan and Russia has not as yet materially interfered with our mission work. It is hoped that the war will be the means of opening up both countries to a fuller reception of the Gospel. The number of baptisms was larger in proportion to membership than in any country on earth. We certainly have a paying investment, when one year brings 50 per cent increase, as it did in Japan last year.

MEXICO. The Lord has richly blessed our work in poor, down-trodden, Roman Catholic cursed Mexico, and given us 144 baptisms this last year.

ITALY. The work in Italy is exceedingly difficult and progress is slow, but advancement is being made along all lines. Italy has twice stood at the head of the nations. Who knows but that at

some future day she may take a place of power in the salvation of the world. There is not a more important field on earth than Italy. Last year seventy baptisms are reported.

BRAZIL. Our eleven ordained missionaries in Brazil reported last year 1,038 baptisms, an average of 94 per missionary, while Southern Baptist ministers average eight baptisms. We should see to it that there be no uninformed members in our churches. With our religious weeklies, *Foreign Mission Journal*, free tracts by the thousands, with a live and enthusiastic missionary pastor in the pulpit, we shall not remain in ignorance of the wonderful progress our foreign mission work is making and the glorious achievements it has accomplished. The opportunities for world-wide evangelization is as bright as the promises of God. The whole earth is open to receive the truth. Facilities are good for going everywhere. Rapid transit has made earth's nations next door neighbors. More than nineteen-twentieths of the people on the globe can get the Bible in their own language. The great question is not whether the nations now in darkness and death will receive the Gospel, but whether the Christian nations will give it to them.

For every dollar given to foreign missions we get back two dollars' worth of purpose to save the heathen here at home. Foreign missions is the fertilization of the soul. Let us, in the strength of our God, rise and go forward to possess the earth for Him who loved it and gave Himself for it. Christ, with thorn-cut brow, nail-pierced hands and bleeding side is pleading for men and money. We have them both, shall we give them?

"If you love Me you will keep My commandments."

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. HOWELL,
J. L. NEWSON,
Committee.

The report is spoken to by Brethren W. L. Britt, J. P. Bowers, J. C. Scarborough, D. Cale and E. J. Harrell.

Special prayer is offered at this point for the foreign work, Brother John Mitchell leading.

The roll is called and pledges are made for next year.

The report is adopted.

The Finance Committee makes the following report:

We, your committee, have received and turned over to the Treasurer—

Foreign missions	\$289.21
State missions	194.39
Home missions	121.00
Ministerial education	46.50
Orphanage	25.61
Minute Fund	80.32

Total\$757.03

W. E. MILLER,
F. P. BRITT,
J. W. LANGDALE,
Committee.

The report is adopted.

Brother L. M. Curtis reads the following resolution, which is adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that all moneys, except the Minute Fund, be sent to the Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention.

The Committee on Time and Place makes the following report, which is adopted:

Place, Hebron church; time, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1905; to preach the introductory sermon, Brother C. M. McIntosh; alternate, Brother W. L. Britt.

The following resolution was read by Brother E. J. Harrell:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered Ross's church and community for their very kind and generous entertainment during this Association.

A collection is taken, though not asked for, to assist the brethren of this church in paying for their new and beautiful house of worship, which amounts to \$33.11.

The Association elects the following delegates: C. W. Mitchell to the Southern Baptist Convention; J. W. Boone, alternate. J. S. Mitchell and T. T. Speight to the Baptist State Convention. L. M. Curtis a member of the State Mission Board.

On motion, the officers of the Association constitute its Executive Committee.

The Burket Monument Committee is continued.

The Treasurer makes the following report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

C. W. HARRELL, Treasurer of the West Chowan Association, received of the Finance Committee at Buckhorn the following amounts: 1903.—Oct. 28.

Amount received from J. M. Powell, Treasurer.....	\$ 3.71
For State missions	171.62
Home missions	122.33
Foreign missions	164.04
Ministerial education	54.25
Ministerial Relief Board	8.73
Orphanage	44.36
Minute Fund	76.29

Amounts received\$645.33

1903.—Oct. 28.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid L. Johnson for state missions.....	\$171.62
L. Johnson for home missions.....	122.33
L. Johnson for foreign missions.....	164.04
L. Johnson for ministerial education.....	54.25
L. Johnson for Ministerial Relief Board.....	8.73
J. B. Boone, Orphanage.....	44.36
N. W. Britton, for services as clerk.....	25.00
Mutual Publishing Company.....	55.00

Amounts paid out\$645.33

C. W. HARRELL, *Treasurer*,
Woodland, N. C.

The report is adopted.

This closes another good session of the Association. We adjourn with benediction by Brother L. M. Curtis,

C. W. MITCHELL, *Moderator*.

N. W. BRITTON, *Clerk*.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Happy are the greetings of the West Chowan people as they gather at Ross's church, the place of meeting, for the twenty-second session of the Association, October 25, 1904. Ardent, faithful and fruitful have been the labors, and many, yet joyous, the sacrifices on the part of many of the King's servants during the past year.

Full of meaning then, is this meeting, where the struggles, trials and triumphs of the year's work are recounted and achievements measured, so far as report many measure them; but in the spirit life there are great debts, great forces, great advances that may not be tabulated. Have I grown in spiritual life this year? Have we, as an Association, thus grown?

Many are the evidences of growth in numbers and in liberality. Better prices and fairly good crops have made it easy for our people to increase their gifts; and this inspires brighter hopes of a wider horizon of usefulness. The place of meeting points to progress. Here, just one hundred years ago, James Ross organized a church, which bears his name. It was first called "Ross's Log Meeting-House." The first framed house had a board shed in front. Then followed better buildings, until the present house is a temple of beauty.

Pastor Ross served until his death and has been followed by Henry White, Thomas Haggard, Jeremiah Burch, West Leary, J. A. Speight and T. T. Speight, the present pastor, who has led them for nearly twenty years. To him and his people is due much credit for the erection of such an elegant house of worship.

Beautiful churches houses have been erected also during the year at Mar's Hill, Bethlehem, Christian Harbor and Woodland, where a new church was organized two years ago.

Good meetings have been held by most of our churches this year. Four hundred and fifty-five baptisms are reported.

The mighty tide of missions, which is to rise higher and higher during the twentieth century, sweeping the heathen world before it, rolls higher among us than ever; \$7,105.74 were contributed to missions by the Association this year.

Chowan Baptist Female Institute, a goodly heritage from our fathers, which has done so much through the years past to enrich the life of our homes, our churches and our denomination, received marked attention. The growth of its patronage calls loudly for enlargement, and the Association responded to this call by instructing the trustees to enlarge.

Two new pastors have settled among us this year—J. R. Taylor at Jackson and Walter L. Britt at Aulander.

Some sad farewells have been said this year. Pastors R. D. Cross and S. F. Bristow have gone to other Associations, while some of our brightest and best members have gone to their "heavenly rest." Among them are J. R. Leek and W. E. Clifton, deacons of Rich Square; Drew Peele, deacon of Republican, and Thomas Brown, of Mount Tabor. Among the sisters, Mrs. W. P. Jordan, wife of Pastor Jordan, of Colerain; Mrs. E. J. Harrell, the beloved Vice-President of the W. M. Society for this Association, and Mrs. A. P. Joyner, of Pleasant Grove, sister of our missionary, T. C. Britton.

Reviewing the work of the year, there is much to encourage and inspire hope for yet greater things—much to encourage pastors and people. Peace and harmony prevail among us and missions

and education take deeper hold upon our hearts. Let each gird himself afresh with prayer and endeavor to go forth to do more for the Master than ever before, 'ere his year of life be past and he meet no more on earth his beloved Association.

"Blest be the Tie" was a fitting close for this great meeting. How shall the record read at Hebron in 1905?

E. J. HARRELL, *Historian*.

WOMAN'S MEETING.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the West Chowan Association met in its tenth session October 26, 1904, at 2 o'clock in the infant class room of Ross's church.

Before the house was called to order Rev. E. J. Harrell made a few remarks, telling how since the death of his wife, our much beloved Vice-President, he had kept up the work, and, upon Miss Heck's recommendation, had asked Mrs. Julian P. Griffin to act as President *pro tem*.

The meeting was then opened by singing "Rescue the Perishing," led by Mrs. E. L. Gatling.

Mrs. Griffin then took the chair, and after calling on Miss Lizzie Mitchell to act as Secretary *pro tem*., read a beautiful and appropriate selection from Isaiah 44: 8-19, the import of which was the vanity of building idols. Mrs. Walter L. Britt led in prayer, asking God's blessing upon our work.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The death of our Vice-President and resignation of our Secretary necessitated the election of new officers to fill these vacancies, which resulted as follows: Mrs. Julian P. Griffin, Woodland, N. C., as Vice-President, and Miss Lizzie Mitchell, Cremo, N. C., as Secretary.

In accepting the position thus conferred upon her Mrs. Griffin very feelingly expressed her appreciation of the honor, and urged that as a memorial to our deceased Vice-President that in the coming year we do more for missions than ever before.

The roll was called and delegates from Societies responded—

Mount Tabor	\$46.08
Rich Square	25.00
Cashie	62.00
Potecasi	33.36
Lawrence's X Roads	11.00

The reports were very encouraging, being much larger than last year.

The President urged the necessity of organizing the children into Sunbeam Bands, and called for volunteers for this work. Mrs.

T. T. Speight promptly responded, saying she would organize a band at Republican church. Others also promised to try.

Having fallen short of our aim of raising \$1,000 this year, we decided to strive harder to reach the mark the coming year.

The course of united study, Rex Christus and Dux Christus, recommended by Miss Heck, was discussed. A few Societies are using it and find it very helpful; others are considering adopting it. A few of the illustrations used in connection with Rex Christus were left on the desk for distribution.

A few minutes were taken in discussing ways and means of making our meetings more attractive. Helpful hints were given by Mrs. Britt and Mrs. C. M. McIntosh.

"Here Am I, Send Me," was affectively read by Miss Amanda Nowell.

There being no further business, we adjourned, with prayer by Mrs. McIntosh.

MRS. JULIAN P. GRIFFIN,
Associational Vice-President.

MISS LIZZIE MITCHELL, *Secretary.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The fifteenth session of the West Chowan Baptist Sunday School Convention met with the church at Severn, July 28, 29 and 30, 1904. The introductory sermon was preached by J. A. Speight from II Corinthians, 2nd chapter, 2nd verse. Organization and election of officers as follows: J. W. Fleetwood, President; John Cale, Vice-President; W. L. Davis, Secretary; N. W. Britton, Treasurer.

Committee on Time and Place reported next session to meet with Sandy Run church at Roxabel, Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1905. To preach introductory sermon, J. R. Taylor; alternate, Paul Bowers.

W. L. DAVIS, *Secretary.*

PLEDGES FOR 1905.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions	Ministerial Education.
Ahoskie.....	\$40.00	\$65.00	\$20.00	\$12.00
Aulander.....	45.00	45.00	30.00	20.00
Bethlehem.....	40.00	45.00	21.00	18.00
Bethany.....	15.00	15.00	10.00	5.00
Brantley's Grove.....	15.00	18.00	15.00	3.00
Buckhorn.....	100.00	60.00	30.00	25.00
Capehart's.....	35.00	40.00	16.00	6.00
Cashie.....	100.00	60.00	25.00	20.00
Center Grove.....	25.00	32.00	15.00	7.00
Chowan.....	50.00	55.00	20.00	15.00
Christian Harbor.....	3.00	10.00	8.00	2.50
Coleraine.....	40.00	35.00		10.00
Connaritsa.....	25.00	30.00	22.00	10.00
Creeksville.....	15.00	12.00	5.00	3.00
Elam.....	30.00	17.00	11.00	5.00
Galatia.....	20.00	19.00	15.00	5.00
Green's Cross Roads.....	15.00	12.50	10.00	2.00
Harrellsville.....	30.00	30.00	15.00	6.00
Hebron.....	25.00	25.00	13.00	5.00
Hillside.....	4.00	7.00	4.00	2.00
Holly Grove.....	17.00	15.00	10.00	8.00
Jackson.....	20.00	22.50	17.00	5.00
Kelford.....	30.00	23.00	20.00	5.00
Lawrence's Cross Roads.....	15.00	20.00	6.00	4.00
Lewiston.....	25.00	22.50	12.00	8.00
Margarettsville.....	15.00	12.00	12.00	5.00
Mars Hill.....	50.00	25.00	30.00	5.00
Meherrin, (Paid).....	30.00	30.00	35.00	
Mt. Carmel.....	25.00	25.00	12.00	6.00
Mt. Tabor.....	40.00	35.00	20.00	7.00
Murfreesboro.....	40.00	40.00	30.00	15.00
Oak Grove.....	8.00	9.00	7.00	3.00
Pine Forest.....	10.00	10.00	5.00	6.00
Potecasi.....	25.00	25.00	20.00	11.00
Pleasant Grove.....	25.00	25.00	16.00	10.00
Republican.....	28.00	28.00	12.00	7.00
Rich Square.....	25.00	15.00	10.00	5.00
Roanoke.....	10.50	15.00	5.00	2.00
Roquist.....	6.00	6.00	6.00	2.00
Robert's Chapel.....	100.00	60.00	35.00	25.00
Ross's.....	30.00	35.00	12.00	5.00
Sandy Run.....	30.00	30.00	30.00	10.00
Seaboard.....	15.00	20.90	11.00	5.00
Siloam.....	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.00
Severn.....	30.00	20.00	17.00	7.00
St. John's.....	20.00	15.00	10.00	4.00
Union.....	20.00	35.00	20.00	10.00
Winton.....	15.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
Woodland.....	25.00	15.00	15.00	6.00

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Preacher of the Introductory Sermon.	Texts.
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.	R. P. Thomas	W. C. Parker	D. A. Woodson	Rom. i. 16
1884	Roberts' Chapel, Northampton Co.	do	do	J. D. Hufham	Acts xx. 24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Psaln xvi. 8.
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Heb. xiii. 1.
1887	Winton, Hertford Co.	do	do	B. B. Williams	Acts xx. 35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.	do	do	M. L. Green	Gal. vi. 10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do	do	T. T. Speight	Gal. vi. 10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Rom. viii. 1.
1891	Union, Hertford Co.	do	do	T. G. Wood	Habakuk ii. 15.
1892	Mt. Carmel, Northampton Co.	do	do	Braxton Craig	Num. xiii. 30.
1893	Coleraine, Bertie Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Col. ii. 10.
1894	Mt. Tabor, Hertford Co.	do	do	A. Cree	Col. i. 28.
1895	Sandy Run, Bertie Co.	do	do	J. B. Boone	Rom. xv. 1, 2, 3.
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co.	do	W. R. Raynor	R. D. Cross	Eph. i. 17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars Hill, Bertie County	J. C. Scarborough	do	— McKaughan	Acts v. 29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.	do	do	W. P. Jordan	Rom. v. 8; viii. 32.
1899	Ahoskie, Hertford Co.	do	do	J. A. Speight	Joel iii. 14, 15, 16.
1900	Potecasi, Northampton Co.	C. W. Mitchell	N. W. Britton	R. D. Cross	Gal. vi. 14.
1901	Capehart, Bertie Co.	do	do	G. P. Harrill	Heb. iv. 6.
1902	Connaritsa, Bertie Co.	do	do	D. Cale	2 Cor. ix. 6, 7.
1903	Buckhorn, Hertford Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Rev. iii. 7 to 11.
1904	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	A. T. Howell	Exodus x. 16.

CHURCH

Churches.	Location and Date of Constitution.	Received.				Lost.				Membership.		
		Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Total.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Total.	Male	Female	Total.
Ahoskie	Hertford Co., 1804	7	8	1	16	11	3	2	16	107	201	308
Aulander	Bertie Co., 1886		6	3	9	5	2	1	8	90	161	251
Bethlehem	Hertford Co., 1835			2	2	10	4	3	19	79	124	203
Bethany	Bertie Co., 1881	21	3	1	25	2			2	108	121	229
Brantley's Grove	Hertford Co., 1877	12	8	1	21	7	1	1	9	61	98	159
Buckhorn	Hertford Co., 1835		2	1	3	8	2	1	11	106	113	219
Capehart's	Bertie Co., 1824		11	1	12	3	1	2	6	123	183	306
Cashie	Bertie Co., 1878	13	5		18	6	2	2	10	109	165	274
Center Grove	Bertie Co., 1897		3		3	1	1	1	3	83	91	174
Chowan	Hertford Co., 1895	1	1	1	3		1	1	2	45	58	103
Christian Harbor	Hertford Co., 1881	8	2	3	13	6	1	1	8	63	69	132
Coleraine	Bertie Co., 1780	12	13	3	28	5		5	10	134	194	328
Connaritsa	Bertie Co., 1789	25	6	5	36	3	8	2	13	147	255	402
Creeksville	Northampton Co., 1892	14		1	15	1		3	4	73	69	142
Elam	Northampton Co., 1844	8		2	10	2	3	5	10	63	151	214
Galatia	Northampton Co., 1859	16	5	1	22	6	5	3	14	122	162	284
Green's Cross Roads	Bertie Co., 1874		2		2		2	1	3	77	99	176
Harrellsville	Hertford Co., 1875	3	4		7	2	1		3	78	79	157
Hebron	Northampton Co., 1856	17	1		18	6			6	126	157	283
Hillside	Bertie Co., 1885	11	1	1	13	7	3		10	27	32	59
Holly Grove	Bertie Co., 1804		1	1	2	14	1		15	62	83	145
Jackson	Northampton Co., 1882	5	1	2	8	6			6	45	57	102
Kelford	Bertie Co., 1898	8	7	2	17	2	1	2	5	46	53	99
Lawrence's Cross Roads	Bertie Co., 1874	35	5	2	42	11	2	2	15	104	118	222
Lewiston	Bertie Co., 1883	22	1	5	28	3		1	4	95	96	191
Margaretsville	Northampton Co., 1889	2	2		4	3	2	2	7	24	25	49
Mars Hill	Bertie Co., 1854		19	2	21	6	3	5	14	165	183	348
Meherrin	Hertford Co., 1729	6	6	2	14	5	12	4	21	171	196	367
Mt. Carmel	Northampton Co., 1826	18	1	2	21	12		1	13	87	114	201
Mt. Tabor	Hertford Co., 1839	11	4		15	11	3	4	18	122	159	281
Murfreesboro	Hertford Co., 1843	10	8		18	2			2	44	76	120
Oak Grove	Hertford Co., 1894	13	3	4	20	2	3	2	7	45	66	111
Pine Forest	Northampton Co., 1888	2	1		6	4	4	1	9	23	38	61
Potecasi	Northampton Co., 1808	14	3	2	19	5	8	3	16	135	190	325
Pleasant Grove	Hertford Co., 1837	15	3	3	21	11	4	4	19	106	165	271
Republican	Bertie Co., 1803		1	1	2	15	4	1	20	148	224	372
Rich Square	Northampton Co., 1854	18	1	3	22	2	12	3	17	84	139	223
Roanoke	Northampton Co., 1885	5	1		6	2			2	40	64	104
Roquist	Bertie Co., 1878					4	2	3	9	28	39	67
Robert's Chapel	Northampton Co., 1848	24	16	3	33	17	6	4	27	152	247	399
Ross's	Bertie Co., 1804		1	1	2	4	3	4	11	282	413	695
Sandy Run	Bertie Co., 1750	11	110	22	1	7	1	9	111	174	285	
Seaboard	Northampton Co., 1889		2		5	2			2	50	70	120
Siloam		5	4		9	4	5	2	11	28	39	67
Severn	Northampton Co., 1896	28	4	2	34	1		1	2	88	59	147
St John's	Hertford Co., 1883			1	1	7			1	8	59	78
Union	Hertford Co., 1885	12	6	1	19	9	4	1	14	81	93	174
Winton	Hertford Co., 1873	10	8	2	20	5	2		7	87	107	194
Woodland	Northampton Co., 1902	13	13	3	29	3	1	2	6	70	62	132
Total		455	210	81	746	264	129	88	481	4408	6005	10398

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STATISTICS.

Pastors and Post Offices.	Clerks and Post Offices	Sabbaths of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.
L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie	Robert Holloman, Ahoskie.....	2d and 4th	\$2500.00
Jno. Mitchell, Aulander	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander	2d	2500.00
L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie	A. B. Atkins, Bethlehem	1st and 3d	2500.00
S. B. Barnes, Branning	W. W. Perry, Branning	1st	1000.00
S. B. Barnes, Branning	W. J. Cowan, Cofield	2d	1000.00
C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.	S. Winborn, Como	2d and 4th	-----
T. T. Speight, Lewiston	H. J. Ward, Evansville	1st	1000.00
C. M. McIntosh, Windsor	E. L. Gatling, Windsor	1st and 3d	2000.00
L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie	2d	1000.00
T. G. Wood, Aulander	T. D. Boone, Winton	1st and 3d	2000.00
M. L. Green, Ahoskie	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville	-----	-----
J. W. Rose, Plymouth	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine	3d	2000.00
T. T. Speight, Lewiston	A. J. Dunning, Aulander	3d	2000.00
D. Cale, Potecasi	W. H. Davis, Creeksville	2d	200.00
J. P. Bowers, Garysburg	R. J. Hancock, Seaboard	1st	1500.00
D. Cale, Potecasi	W. C. Smith, Seaboard	3d	1000.00
W. P. Jordan, Coleraine	J. A. White, Windsor	2d	600.00
J. A. Speight, Tunis	D. Taylor, Harrellsville	3d	-----
E. J. Harrel, Woodland	J. K. Revel, Livermore	3d	1000.00
S. B. Barnes, Branning	W. G. Gurkin, Quitsna	4th	1200.00
W. L. Britt, Aulander	J. H. Bowen, Askewville	1st	1250.00
J. R. Taylor, Jackson	Edwin Wright, Jackson	1st	2000.00
T. T. Speight, Lewiston	W. J. Parker, Kelford	2d	1800.00
S. B. Barnes, Branning	J. R. Phelps, Sans Souci	3d	1500.00
T. G. Wood, Aulander	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston	-----	-----
J. P. Bowers, Garysburg	A. S. Edwards, Margarettsville	2d	-----
W. P. Jordan, Coleraine	B. W. Lee, Rosemead	4th	3000.00
J. A. Speight, Winton	O. Parker, Murfreesboro	1st	1200.00
J. R. Taylor, Jackson	J. G. Joyner, Seaboard	4th	-----
A. T. Howell, Murfreesboro	J. A. Parker, Mapleton	1st and 3d	-----
A. T. Howell, Murfreesboro	W. G. Freeman, Murfreesboro	2d and 4th	2000.00
T. T. Speight, Lewiston	S. E. Marsh, Aulander	3d	1200.00
J. P. Bowers, Garysburg	J. R. Carstaphen, Garysburg	3d	800.00
D. Cale, Potecasi	E. B. Lassiter, Potecasi	2d	-----
E. J. Harrell, Woodland	W. H. Lassiter, Woodland	4th	-----
E. J. Harrell, Woodland	Levi Hoggard, Drew	4th	-----
J. R. Taylor, Jackson	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square	2d and 3d	-----
C. M. McIntosh, Windsor	R. C. Lassiter, Lasker	2d	1500.00
C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.	J. M. Yates, Windsor	2d	800.00
T. T. Speight, Lewiston	J. W. Martin, Conway	1st and 3d	2000.00
C. M. McIntosh, Windsor	W. D. White, Windsor	4th	8000.00
J. R. Taylor, Jackson	G. H. Barnes, Roxobel	4th	2500.00
S. B. Barnes, Branning	E. F. Barnes, Gumberry	3d	1250.00
D. Cale, Potecasi	Lee Bond, Windsor	4th	200.00
D. Cale, Potecasi	W. H. Howell, Severn	4th	2000.00
T. G. Wood, Aulander	S. E. Vaughan, St. John's	1st	1200.00
J. A. Speight, Winton	John Freeman, Union	2d	2000.00
E. J. Harrell, Woodland	J. A. Downs, Cofield	2d and 4th	1500.00
	Lewter McDaniel, Woodland	1st and 3d	1600.00

EXPENSES OF CHURCHES, SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Churches	Church.					Sunday School.						Missionary Society.				
	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Repairs to Buildings and Grounds.	Poor Fund.	Minute Fund.	Total.	Incidental Expenses.	Cost of Papers and Quarters.	Cost of Books.	Poor Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.	Incidental Expenses.	Cost of Literature.	Cost of Correspondence.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$350.00	\$49.17	\$75.55	\$11.10	\$3.00	\$488.62		\$24.78	\$9.00			\$33.78		\$0.70	\$0.30	\$1.00
Aulander	175.00	60.00		18.00	2.00	255.00		21.00			\$5.00	26.00				
Bethlehem	300.00	24.00	388.31		2.00	714.31	\$15.00	8.25				23.25				
Bethany	125.00			5.46	2.20	132.66		4.87				4.87				
Brantley's Grove	100.00	15.00	20.93	25.60	1.75	162.68		20.96	1.20		5.00	27.16				
Buckhorn	400.00	55.67		5.00	2.00	462.67		12.88				12.88				
Capehart's	175.00	16.00	4.12	14.46	2.00	211.58	8.85	6.32			2.38	12.55		.20	.25	.45
Cashie	400.00	68.00	18.00	12.42	2.50	500.92	29.65					26.65				
Center Grove	130.00	15.50		5.00	2.00	152.50	2.25	20.75			8.00	31.00	\$11.80			11.80
Chowan	350.00	45.00	469.85		1.50	866.35		27.00				27.00				
Christian Harbor	100.00	13.85	30.55		1.50	145.30	.25	35.36	11.30		4.50	51.16		.20		.20
Coleraine	200.00	31.56	10.25	7.75	2.25	251.81		8.63				8.63				
Connarissa	211.00	8.26	1.50	18.86	2.50	242.12	2.25	6.00	8.49		15.70	32.44				
Creeksville	100.00	20.00			1.00	121.00										
Elam	100.00				1.50	101.50	4.58	3.00				7.58				
Galatia	150.00	13.95	50.00	40.00	2.00	255.95		4.87				4.87				
Green's X Roads	125.00				1.00	126.00	2.64	8.31				20.15				
Harrellsville	150.00	30.00			2.50	180.00						18.00				
Hebron	150.00	15.00	5.00	8.41	2.50	180.91		12.00	4.95			16.95		1.13		1.13
Hillside	60.00				1.00	61.00										
Holly Grove	125.00	110.00	8.83		2.00	245.83	20.00	6.34				26.34				
Jackson	150.00	35.00			1.00	186.00		30.00	6.85			36.85				
Kelford	150.00	25.00	100.00		2.00	277.00		31.15	6.62			37.77				
Lawrence's X Roads	125.00	21.00	641.96	1.00	1.50	790.46										
Lewiston	200.00	20.00	256.42		2.00	478.42		22.00	12.00		7.45	41.45				
Margarettsville	75.00	10.00	80.00		.75	115.75		8.24				8.24				
Mar Hill	175.00	29.00	1,200.00	50.75	2.00	1,406.00		6.06				6.06				
Meherin	150.00	49.59	35.90	2.50	2.50	288.81		31.00	5.00	6.40		42.40				
Mt. Carmel	150.00	14.80	4.50	7.00	2.00	178.30		16.02	3.60			19.62			.53	.53
Mt. Tabor	300.00	53.00		11.50	2.00	372.50	1.45	7.00				8.45				

Murfreesboro	400.00	56.23			2.00	458.23	82.49	35.32	24.00							141.80
Oak Grove	100.00	17.45			.50	117.92		10.99								10.99
Pine Forest	100.00		8.50		.75	109.25		2.50								2.50
Potocasi	150.00	26.32			3.00	173.32		9.55								9.55
Pleasant Grove	150.00	75.00			2.00	248.25		8.12	18.30							26.42
Republican		10.00	100.00		2.50	119.65										17.20
Rich Square	200.00	20.00	110.00		2.00	331.00										21.00
Roanoke	100.00	8.00	23.41		1.00	132.41		16.96								16.96
Roquist	100.00				.50	103.50		2.00								4.00
Roberts' Chapel	400.00	193.76			27.47	624.23	2.20	23.05								25.25
Ross's	200.00	23.50	2,500.55		3.00	2,753.78										
Sandy Run		38.59			3.00	51.65		13.48								19.06
Seaboard	125.00	20.00			1.00	150.28		12.00								12.00
Silvaco	35.00		47.45		.50	82.95		1.56								14.12
Seyern	150.00	175.00	152.00		2.00	479.00		17.76								17.76
St. John's	100.00		3.03		1.50	111.88		4.25	3.00							8.25
Union	200.00	56.00			1.50	261.80		4.65								23.15
Winton	250.00	41.00	20.00		2.00	313.00		17.00								37.68
Woodland	150.00	18.00	1,700.00		2.00	1,870.00		20.00	5.00							27.56
Total	8,361.00	1,627.30	7,920.91	355.40	86.00	18,350.61	205.04	610.15	119.31	11.05	102.02		12.80	6.93	1.58	21.31

Total expenses of the churches in all Departments \$19 419.47.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Superintendents and Post-offices.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average
Ahoskie	W. H. Miller, Ahoskie	10	130	140	50		12	
Aulander	E. C. Harrell, Aulander	8	140	148	50	40	12	1
Bethlehem	Solon Jernigan, Bethlehem	12	85	97	217	120	9	
Bethany	W. C. Hughes, Coleraine	7	90	97	50	100	9	
Brantley's Grove	W. J. Cowan, Cofield	10	119	129	52	30	9	
Buckhorn	S. P. Winborn, Como	9	80	89		30	12	
Capehart's	H. J. Ward, Evansville	7	89	96	50		7	
Cashie	T. Gilliam, Windsor	8	125	133	100	105	12	
Center Grove	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie	9	131	140		25	9	
Chowan	J. P. Freeman, Winton	9	65	74		30	12	
Christian Harbor	J. W. Holloman, Harrellsville	7	75	82	30	84	12	
Coleraine	W. B. Felton, Coleraine	10	68	78		240	12	
Connaritsa	J. P. Slade, Aulander	19	98	117	100	100	7	
Creeksville	J. W. Britton, Creeksville	14	100	114		25	12	
Elam	J. R. Stephenson, Garysburg	7	30	37			6	
Galatia	J. W. Rose, Margarettsville	12	87	99			9	
Green's X Roads	E. W. White, Windsor	10	103	113			9	
Harrellsville	J. M. Powell, Harrellsville	9	60	69				
Hebron	G. M. Holloman, Woodland	17	136	153	50		12	
Hillside	G. P. Bazemore, Cahaba	7	31	38				
Holly Grove	J. H. Bowen, Askewville	7	65	72		90	6	
Jackson	P. J. Long, Jackson	11	61	72	50	25	12	
Kelford	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford	10	72	82		27	12	
Lawrence's X Roads	J. R. Phelps, Sans Souci	7	47	54	50	27	9	
Lewiston	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston	8	73	81	60	20	12	
Margarettsville	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville	6	32	38	38	68	12	
Mars Hill	D. W. Britton, Rosemead	10	72	82	44		9	
Meherrin	W. S. Nelson, Murfreesboro	13	90	103	25	30	12	
Mt. Carmel	T. J. Stephenson, Seaboard	9	93	102	79	30	12	
Mt. Tabor	J. W. Boone, Union	11	98	109		1	12	
Murfreesboro	H. V. Scarborough, Murfreesboro	19	123	142	70	200	12	
Oak Grove	A. E. Saunders, Aulander	9	65	74		20	9	
Pine Forest	W. J. Edwards, Garysburg	6	34	40				
Potecasi	C. R. Harrell, Potecasi	11	102	113			12	
Pleasant Grove	C. A. Dunning, Annetta	15	113	128	50	140	6	
Republican	A. V. Cobb, Lewiston	12	118	130	50	120	9	
Rich Square	J. P. Holloman, Rich Square	6	120	126		20	12	
Roanoke	J. H. Hoggard, Rehoboth	6	63	69	66	15	12	
Roquist	Geo. D. Leggett, Woodard	7	40	47	10		3	
Roberts Chapel	B. F. Martin, Conway	11	153	164	166	40	12	
Ross's								
Sandy Run	E. L. Bishop, Roxobel	11	134	145	150		12	
Seaboard	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard	8	60	68	137	20	12	
Siloam	B. Leggett, Windsor	7	40	47		78	9	
Severn	J. N. Stephenson, Severn	14	82	96			12	
St. John's	R. L. Edwards, St. John's	8	80	88			6	
Union	J. E. Mathews, Union	10	68	78	30	376	12	
Winton	J. S. Mitchell, Winton	12	98	110			12	
Woodland	C. H. Griffin, Woodland	8	80	88		35	12	
Total		468	4,117	4,585	1,824	2,311		

MISSIONARY SOCIETY STATISTICS.

Presidents and Post-offices.	Corresponding Secretaries and Post-offices.	Number of Officers.	Number of Members.
Fannie Miller, Ahoskie -----	Mrs. D. L. Myers, Ahoskie -----	4	31
Enolia Penny, Coleraine -----	Eunice L. Outlaw, Branning -----	4	75
Julia Greene, Ahoskie -----	Jessie J. Holloman, Ahoskie -----	2	114
Miss J. H. Vann, Como -----	Miss Lena Picot, Como -----	4	22
Mrs. E. L. Gatling, Windsor -----	Mrs. A. Burden, Windsor -----		
Mrs. J. E. Vann, Winton -----	Miss Agnes G. Carter, Winton -----	4	30
H. I. Lloyd, Harrellsville -----	Mattie N. Saunders, Harrellsv'le -----	3	73
Mary E. Lassiter, Creekville -----	Bessie M. Davis, Creekville -----	5	72
Eunice L. Stephenson, Garysburg -----	Clara Wheeler, Garysburg -----	3	30
Mrs. John Taylor, Seaboard -----	Mrs. A. M. Britton, Margaretts'le -----	3	51
Martha Castellow, Windsor -----	Victoria Castellow, Windsor -----	3	39
Mrs. J. P. Griffin, Woodland -----	Miss Fannie Cobb, Woodland -----	8	106
Mrs. S. M. Colvert, Jackson -----	Miss Lillie Spencer, Jackson -----	4	30
Miss E. Williams, Merry Hill -----	Miss A. Williams, Merry Hill -----	4	28
Sarah Warren, Murfreesboro -----	T. H. Johnson, Murfreesboro -----	8	50
Miss Bettie McGlannan, Seaboard -----	Mamie Sears, Seaboard -----	4	56
Mrs. E. T. Bayette, Mapleton -----	Miss Susie Darden, Murfreesb'ro -----	4	42
Jenny Sewell, Murfreesboro -----	Helen G. Watson, Murfreesboro -----	8	80
J. P. Bowers, Garysburg -----	Mrs. W. E. Carstaphen, Garysb'g -----	3	20
Mrs. C. R. Harrell, Potecasi -----	Miss Rosa Baugham, Potecasi -----	3	80
Miss Mollie Britton, Eagletown -----	Miss Ella Jobe, St. John's -----	3	15
Mrs. M. Lassiter, Rich Square -----	Miss Lizzie Elliott, Eagletown -----	3	19
Mrs. Willie Lassiter, Conway -----	Miss Mary Johnson, Pendleton -----	4	61
Mrs. E. L. Tyler, Roxobel -----	E. T. Watson, Roxobel -----	4	11
Mrs. W. F. Grubbs, Seaboard -----	Mrs. J. T. Maddrey, Seaboard -----	3	50
Mrs. L. A. Britton, St. John's -----	Miss Olie Britt, St. John's -----	3	65
J. H. Jenkins, Winton -----	W. D. Shaw, Winton -----	9	50
Mrs. C. W. Harrell, Woodland -----	Miss Helen Futrell, Woodland -----	7	15
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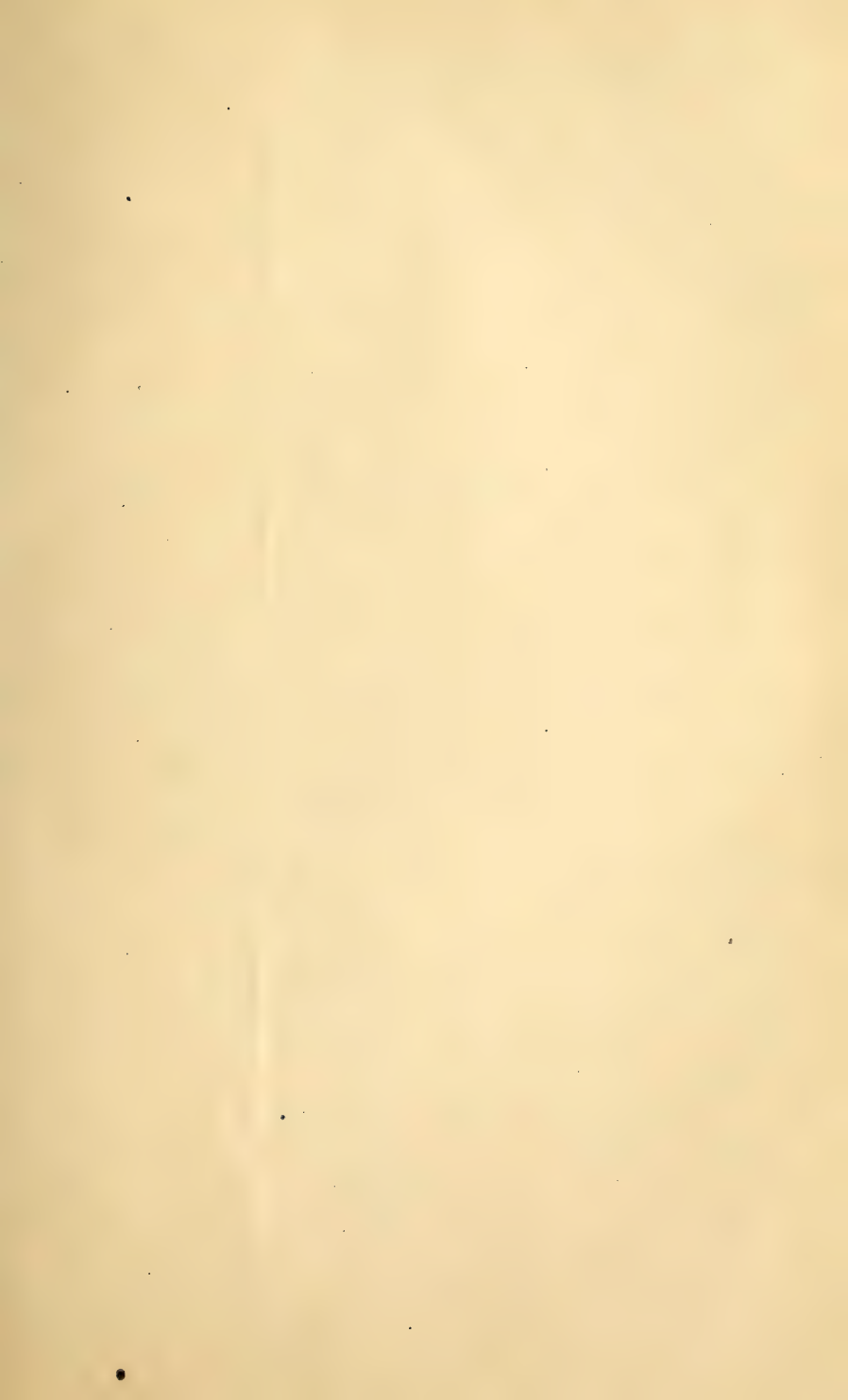
FINANCIAL TABLE.—CHURCH BENEVOLENCE.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Ministers' Relief Board.	Poor Out- side of Church.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$40.00	\$60.00	\$16.00	\$12.00	\$30.00	\$10.00			\$5.00.	\$173.00
Aulander	40.00	35.00	25.00	20.00	60.00			\$9.00	16.00	205.00
Bethlehem	40.00	35.00	21.00	15.00	3.85	5.00	\$5.00	8.00	97.50	230.35
Bethany	11.00	11.00	6.00	2.50	5.00	1.00	5.06	2.00		43.56
Brantley's Grove	19.71	13.00	15.98	3.00	5.00	3.18		1.50		60.88
Buckhorn	100.00	55.50	25.00	25.00	40.00					242.50
Capehart's	35.00	35.00	10.00	5.00	10.00			4.00		99.00
Cashie	16.00	10.65	8.97	13.88	33.66	2.08				85.24
Center Grove	25.00	30.00	15.00	7.00	5.00	5.00			212.00	299.00
Chowan	18.00	35.00	20.00	15.00	63.50	5.00			40.00	196.50
Christian Harbor	8.11	8.10	8.14	2.05	12.22	2.05			3.00	43.67
Coleraine	40.00	38.50	15.00	8.00	20.50			8.77	30.25	152.25
Connaritsa	25.00	44.29	22.00	10.00	11.00				25.00	146.06
Creeksville	15.00	12.00	5.00	3.00						35.00
Elam	28.00	17.45	11.00	7.39	8.75				19.70	92.24
Galatia	15.00	17.00	10.00	5.00	5.10		6.17	2.50	14.00	74.77
Green's Cross Roads	19.00	10.25	11.00		3.62			5.00		48.87
Harrellsville	22.50	25.00	14.00	5.00						66.50
Hebron	25.00	20.00	15.00	5.00	25.00				6.63	96.63
Hillside	3.75	7.00	4.00	2.00						16.75
Holly Grove	15.00	15.00	8.00	8.00					3.35	49.35
Jackson	18.00	22.50	17.00	5.00	8.35	2.00		3.00	42.30	118.15
Kelford	30.00	30.00	25.00	5.00	15.25			10.00		115.25
Lawrence's Cross Roads	13.75	24.35	6.00	4.00	9.00	3.00			29.77	89.87
Lewiston	20.00	20.00	12.00	7.00	10.00			2.00	27.85	98.85

Margarettsville						12.00					12.00
Mars Hill						31.88					31.88
Meherrin	4.79	4.79			2.00	5.00					15.58
Mt. Carmel						17.96					17.96
Mt. Tabor						41.22					41.22
Murfreesboro	7.13	4.59	12.82			39.40					63.74
Oak Grove											
Pine Forest											
Potocasi						18.42					18.42
Pleasant Grove										22.42	22.42
Republican	5.10		2.62			8.10					15.82
Rich Square											
Roanoke						2.22					2.22
Roquist											
Robert's Chapel						60.00	2.45				62.45
Ross's											
Sandy Run						78.38					78.38
Seaboard						20.00					20.00
Siloam											
Seyern		2.75				25.13				8.71	36.58
St. John's											
Union						50.00					50.00
Winton						5.04					5.04
Woodland						19.73	1.51			5.00	26.24
Total	27.95	33.27	29.37	5.75	26.84	809.90		12.00	74.05		1019.13

FINANCIAL TABLE.—MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Poor Outside of Society.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.	Total.	Total Benevolence of the Churches in all Departments.
Ahoskie	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$10.00						\$35.00	\$284.82
Aulander										205.00
Bethlehem										271.80
Bethany										44.56
Brantley's Grove										66.50
Buckhorn	19.30	11.20	98.87					\$3.00	\$135.37	451.61
Capehart's										99.00
Cashie	58.72	36.80	23.18	\$4.28					122.98	267.20
Center Grove										324.68
Chowan	32.00	15.00	43.60		\$40.00	\$6.25			136.85	391.35
Christian Harbor	3.00	5.00	3.00	1.05				3.00	15.05	71.72
Coleraine										162.25
Connaritsa										146.06
Creeksville	15.00	12.00	5.00						32.00	67.00
Elam	6.34	9.51							15.85	114.65
Galatia										75.80
Green's Cross Roads										53.56
Harrellsville										126.50
Hebron	24.00	11.40						8.92	44.82	161.72
Hillside										16.75
Holly Grove										53.95
Jackson	6.00	5.00	5.00						16.00	134.15
Kelford										148.03
Lawrence's Cross Roads	3.75	4.75	2.50						11.00	105.12
Lewiston										98.85
Margarettsville										76.00
Mars Hill										215.18
Meherrin	1.65	2.95	1.64						6.24	159.85
Mt Carmel	7.50	8.00	4.50						20.00	112.46
Mt. Tabor	8.17	23.61	14.30						46.08	202.30
Murfreesboro	4.57	15.50	2.50					3.71	26.28	378.66
Oak Grove										40.00
Pine Forest	1.90	2.50	.95	1.35				.80	7.60	68.41
Potocasi	8.05	5.83	12.98					6.50	33.36	163.29
Pleasant Grove	2.25	2.00			1.50				5.75	127.44
Republican										88.82
Rich Square	12.40	4.75	5.05					2.80	25.00	130.00
Roanoke										37.80
Roquist										19.00
Robert's Chapel			7.00						7.00	319.80
Ross's										85.00
Sandy Run						22.36	5.00		27.36	215.74
Seaboard	2.53	4.50	6.40					3.78	17.23	78.23
Siloam										15.70
Seyern										132.69
St. John's	7.00	7.00	6.00						20.00	86.35
Union										200.40
Winton								28.29	28.29	117.54
Woodland	14.65	5.12	8.04						27.81	99.05
Total	247.80	206.42	260.51	6.68	5.50	28.61	5.00	59.90	862.92	7105.74



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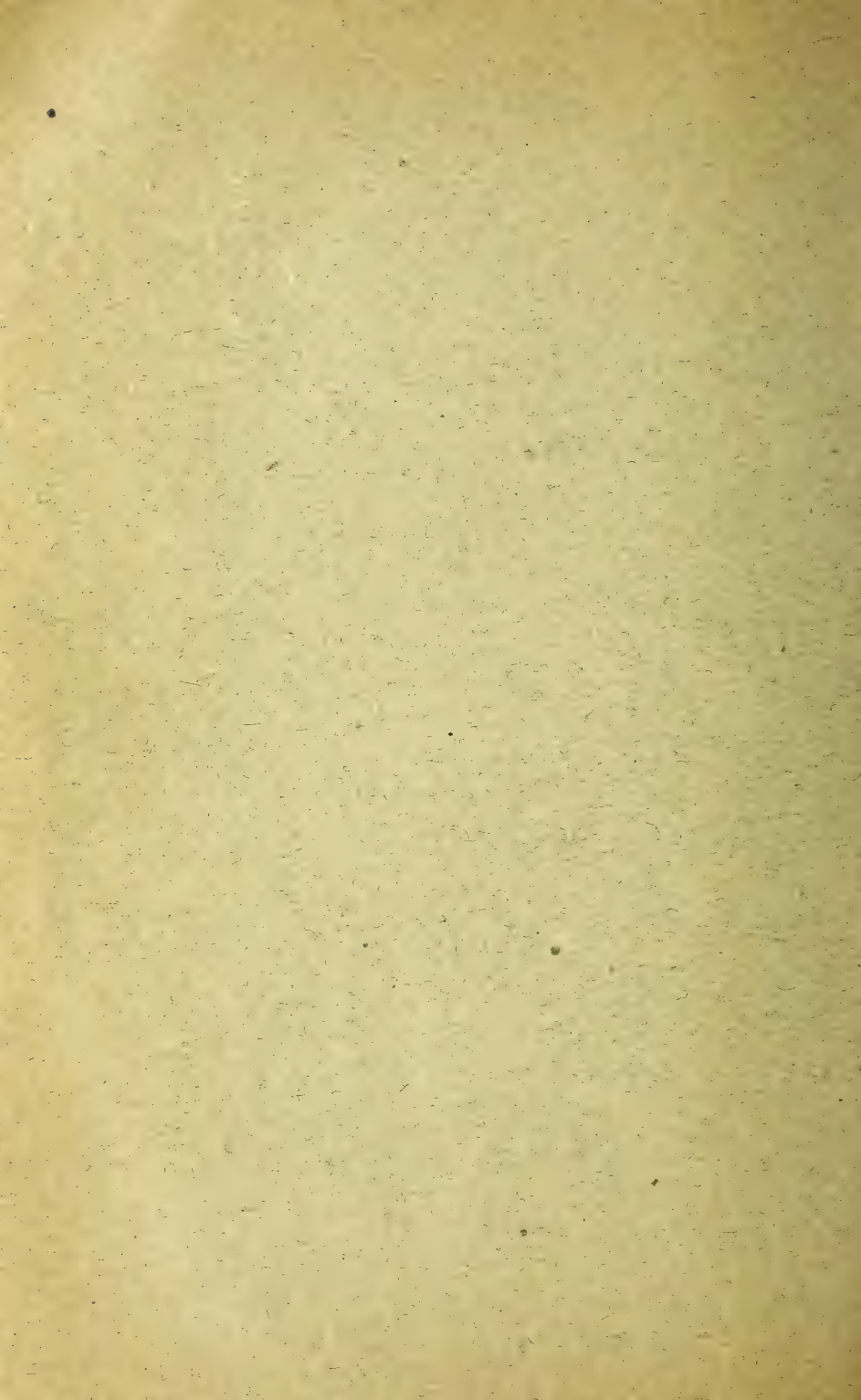
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STANDING COMMITTEES.

State Missions—R. L. Gay, J. E. Mathews, G. W. Castellow.
Education—M. A. Adams, W. M. Marsh, J. W. Futrell.
Baptist Orphanage—A. T. Howell, J. E. Tadlock, C. L. L. Cobb.
Ministers' Relief—W. L. Britt, J. R. Stephenson, J. D. Gatling.
Periodicals—J. C. Scarborough, J. C. Tynes, J. H. Evans.
C. B. F. Institute—R. P. Thomas, W. R. Bridgers, D. N. Stephenson.
Home Missions—J. R. Taylor, J. R. Crocker, J. K. Parker.
Foreign Missions—D. Cale, A. W. Early, W. H. Bryant.
Church Statistics—W. L. Davis, H. J. Ward, K. Taylor.
Temperance—E. J. Harrell, F. M. Thompson, J. S. Harrington.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

E. J. Harrell.....	Woodland, N. C.
J. A. Speight.....	Tunis, N. C.
Dancy Cale.....	Potecasi, N. C.
L. M. Curtis.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
M. L. Green.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
S. B. Barnes.....	Branning, N. C.
C. W. Scarborough.....	Murfreesboro, N. C.
T. T. Speight.....	Windsor, N. C.
R. T. White.....	Seaboard, N. C.
J. R. Mathews.....	Aulander, N. C.
B. Leggett	Windsor, N. C.
John Mitchell	Hexlena, N. C.
W. P. Jordan.....	Coleraine, N. C.
A. T. Howell.....	Murfreesboro, N. C.
Jesse McCarter	Severn, N. C.
W. L. Britt.....	Aulander, N. C.
J. R. Taylor.....	Jackson, N. C.
M. A. Adams.....	Winton, N. C.
C. E. Edwards	Windsor, N. C.
R. L. Gay	Windsor, N. C.

OFFICERS.

C. W. Mitchell, Moderator.....	Aulander, N. C.
J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator.....	Winton, N. C.
N. W. Britton, Clerk.....	Woodland, N. C.
C. W. Harrell, Treasurer.....	Woodland, N. C.
J. A. Speight.....	Tunis, N. C.

The officers constitute the Executive Committee of the Association.

CONSTITUTION.

Name.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

Membership.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: Provided, no church shall have more than four delegates.

Objects.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

Powers and Prerogatives.

Art. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but can not bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for dismissal.

Rights of the Churches.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

Duties of the Churches.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality; (2) The names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post-offices; (3) the Sabbaths of regular service; (4) the church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled and aggregate membership, male and female; (5) Sabbath school statistics; (6) amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund; (7) names of delegates and alternates; (8) any other information deemed of special importance.

Organization.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

Duties of Officers.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order, and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes an historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved, 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. (Adopted 1898.)

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that selling intoxicating liquors through a dispensary is a violation of the spirit and letter of the resolution in our Constitution. (1905.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.
2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.
3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.
4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.
5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.
7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.
8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.
9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.**First Day.**

- 11 A. M.—Introductory sermon.
- 12 M.—Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
- 12:30 P. M.—Recess.
- 2 P. M.—Report of Committee on Credentials. Organize. Read Constitution. Call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session. Receive new churches. Invite visitors. Appoint committees.
- 3 P. M.—Report on Temperance.
- 3:30 P. M.—Report on Periodicals.
- 4 P. M.—Assignment of Homes. Adjournment.

Second Day.

- 9:30 A. M.—Devotional exercises.
- 10 A. M.—Routine business.
- 10:45 A. M.—Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.
- 11 A. M.—Report on Education.
- 11:45 A. M.—Report on State Missions.
- 12:30 P. M.—Recess.
- 2 P. M.—Convene. Routine business.
- 2:10 P. M.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
- 2:30 P. M.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.
- 3:15 P. M.—Report on Foreign Missions. Adjournment.

Third Day.

- 9:30 A. M.—Devotional exercises.
- 10 A. M.—Convene. Routine business.
- 10:15 A. M.—Report on Home Missions.
- 11: A. M.—Report on Church Statistics.
- 11:15 A. M.—Report of committees. Miscellaneous business. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS

October 24, 1905.

The West Chowan Association met this day with Hebron Baptist Church. The introductory sermon was preached by W. L. Britt from Matt. 3:19; 26:26-28; 28:19, 20, after which C. W. Mitchell called the Association to order and read a selection of scripture. C. W. Scarborough led in prayer. The list of churches was then called and delegates enrolled as follows:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Ahoskie—R. S. Newsome, W. H. Miller, *J. C. Jenkins.
Aulander—W. J. Dunning, A. W. Early, C. W. Mitchell.
Bethlehem—R. P. Thomas, W. P. Britton, Sr., A. B. Cowan.
Bethany—*Wright Evans, John C. Baker.
Brantley's Grove—W. H. Bryant, John W. Dilday.
Buckhorn—J. H. Barnes, R. A. Majette, *S. P. Winborne.
Capehart's—Estus White, H. J. Ward, F. P. Britt.
Cashie—J. T. Smith, W. L. Davis, *W. R. Cobb.
Center Grove—J. E. Matthews, Walter Holloman.
Chowan—W. P. Shaw, Jr., J. P. Freeman.
Christian Harbor—J. H. Evans, J. H. Myers, W. C. Evans.
Coleraine—W. H. Harrell, H. C. Wilson, C. C. Holder.
Connaritsa—*W. G. Burden, *Lee Cowan, F. E. Myers.
Creeksville—F. W. Bridgers, Sam Boone, Junius Futrell.
Conway—A. Lassiter, J. R. Martin.
Elam—J. R. Stephenson, *C. L. Stephenson, *J. E. Capel.
Galatia—Nezzie Davis, Kinchin Taylor, H. T. Britton.
Green's X Roads—G. W. Castellow, W. H. Mizelle.
Harrellsville—*J. M. Powell, *W. E. Miller, J. R. Modlin.
Hebron—J. D. Gatling, J. H. Griffin, A. W. Liverman.
Hillside—F. M. Thompson, D. W. Pittman.
Holly Grove—John Mitchell, W. L. Vaughan.
Jackson—*P. J. Long, *Willie Fleetwood.
Kelford—C. L. L. Cobb, W. E. Parker.
Lawrence's X Roads—J. W. Langdale, D. J. Coffield, J. M. Britt.
Lewiston—J. L. Harrington, E. L. Joyner, W. J. Early.
Margarettsville—D. E. Bridgers, *Jordan Edwards.
Mars Hill—*D. W. Britton, G. B. Miller, L. P. Freeman, W. H. Miller.
Meherrin—J. E. Vaughan, *J. Chitty, L. T. Garriss, J. K. Parker.
Mt. Carmel—T. J. Stephenson, J. C. Stephenson, E. C. Allen.
Mt. Tabor—J. W. Boone, *E. Britt, J. A. Parker.
Murfreesboro—J. C. Scarborough, S. D. Holloman.
Oak Grove—W. M. Marsh, *J. S. Holloman, S. L. Morris.
Pine Forest—*J. A. Collier, *W. P. Garner.
Potecasi—J. W. Futrell, C. G. Powell, Hoggard Askew.
Pleasant Grove—C. W. Parker, L. R. Joyner, C. W. Blow.
Republican—J. R. Bynum, J. H. Burden, C. J. Joyner, *A. V. Cobb.
Rich Square—J. N. Futrell, Albert Vann, J. T. Bolton.
Roanoke—W. R. Bridgers, C. J. Futrell, W. C. Grant.
Roquist—J. E. Tadlock, *J. M. Yates.
Robert's Chapel—B. F. Martin, W. M. Watson, *L. A. Stephenson, D. N. Stephenson.
Ross's—J. H. Lawrence, A. J. White, *John T. Hoggard, *Jiles P. Mizelle.
Sandy Run—J. C. Tynes, E. L. Bishop, C. R. Liverman.
Seaboard—J. R. Crocker, *J. T. Maddrey.

*Absent.

Siloam—*R. L. Speller, *N. T. Leggett, *B. Leggett.

Severn—J. W. Hoggard, P. M. Fleetwood.

St. John's—W. P. Howard, *M. J. Britt.

Union—L. M. Parker, William Cobb.

Winton—T. L. Lassiter, *K. G. Newsome, J. S. Mitchell.

Woodland—N. W. Britton, C. W. Harrell, J. M. Odom.

The Moderator appointed W. P. Shaw, J. W. Hoggard, R. A. Majette, Estus White and A. Vann a Committee on Credentials.

The Association adjourned for dinner. Prayer by M. L. Green.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met and was led in prayer by M. A. Adams.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the churches in accord with the Constitution.

The next order of business was the election of officers, which resulted as follows: C. W. Mitchell, Moderator; J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; C. W. Harrell, Treasurer; J. A. Speight, Historian.

J. C. Scarborough read the Constitution and Rules of Order.

At this point Conway Baptist Church made application for membership in this Association. C. W. Scarborough, L. M. Curtis and J. A. Speight were appointed a committee to examine the Articles of Faith of said church. After thorough examination, the committee recommended that Conway Church be received into the Association, which was duly done, and the Moderator extended the hand of welcome to the delegates.

Visitors were invited to seats as follows: L. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board; C. J. D. Parker and W. S. Blair, of the Portsmouth Association; R. L. Gay, M. A. Adams and Jesse McCarter, new pastors with us; H. C. Moore, Sunday School Secretary; J. S. Farmer, agent for the Biblical Recorder; S. F. Conrad, of the North Carolina Baptist, and T. G. Wood, of the Chowan Association.

The Moderator announced the following committees: Religious Exercises, Pastor and Deacons of Hebron Church; On Time and Place of Next Session, J. N. Futrell, J. H. Lawrence, H. E. Miller; Finance Committee, J. W. Boone, W. H. Miller, C. R. Liverman.

The Report on Temperance was read by D. Cale:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We believe the cause of Temperance is advancing, and we believe our progress is due to the stand that has been and is still being taken by our strongest and best men and women, and while we all agree that we have made great progress in Missions, your committee believes that we have made just as great progress on the lines of Temperance as on any other line, in proportion to the work done on this line.

We are only just getting a start in this great work and may never see the day of victory, yet we believe the time will come when men will preach and pray and work against this evil until our people will be ashamed even to be called a moderate drinker.

Your committee would recommend that we talk against it, not only from the pulpits, but that we talk Temperance in the homes where we visit until the young shall see the evil in it, and then they will no doubt abstain from its use.

We would recommend also that all our churches take a firm stand on the side of Temperance, praying for it, voting for it, and if needful make sacrifices to set it up in every home.

D. CALE.

A. J. WHITE.

Resolved, That every pastor and every deacon of every Baptist church within the bounds of this Association use their best efforts to secure signatures from all good people they can to petitions asking the several Boards of County Commissioners of the Counties of Bertie, Hertford and Northampton to decline to grant license to any applicant to retail spirituous, vinous or malt liquors within said counties.

Resolved, That we ask the co-operation of the pastors and members of other churches within said bounds to help us secure the discontinuance of the sale of liquor within said counties.

Resolved, That we ask every minister of the Gospel who can well do so to be present when the petitions are presented and urge the Commissioners of each county to decline any and all petitions, and that all pastors announce this action from the pulpits at least 30 days before the first day of January, 1906.

Whereas, Christianity and saloons generally flourish in inverse ratio to each other; and,

Whereas, The sentiment against the sale of intoxicants within the bounds of this Association is being rapidly crystallized into determined opposition to the same; and,

Whereas, There are still places in our State where the Temperance sentiment is very weak, and the strong ought to help the weak; and,

Whereas, Our Governor has declared himself in favor of submitting the question of prohibition to the voters of this State; therefore, be it

Resolved, first, That this Association puts itself on record as being in favor of the Governor's position.

Resolved, second, That we will do all in our power to help elect such men to the next State Legislature that assurance may be had that an amendment to the Constitution declaring for State prohibition shall be submitted to the voters of the State.

This report was spoken to by D. Cale, J. C. Scarborough, S. F. Conrad, T. T. Speight, W. L. Britt, R. L. Gay and J. A. Speight. The Report and Resolutions were adopted.

J. R. Taylor read the Report on Periodicals:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

This is the most world-wide reading age known to man. The nations are mingling together from the printed page. The convenience of distributions is being very largely promoted by our government, putting every house in touch with the world. It is for us, as Baptists, to place before this generation the proper reading if we hold our own. It is ours to keep off infectious doctrines through our papers and blaze the way for the coming generation. It is our duty to rally around the organ of our denomination and to see that all our people read it. We heartily endorse the movements of the Biblical Recorder, North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children, Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. TAYLOR, for Committee.

This report was discussed by J. R. Taylor, J. S. Farmer and S. F. Conrad. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Hospitality then assigned homes to the delegates.

Adjourned, with prayer by W. S. Blair.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

After devotional exercises conducted by L. M. Curtis, the Vice-Moderator called the Association to order. Prayer was offered by C. W. Scarborough.

On motion, it was requested that the introductory sermon be published in the Biblical Recorder.

Under the head of routine business, it was requested that all money except the minute fund be sent to the Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention.

T. T. Speight read the report of C. B. F. Institute:

REPORT ON C. B. F. INSTITUTE.

To the West Chowan Association: Your committee begs leave to make the following report:

While our forefathers laid plans broad and deep for the education of the women of their day and put out large sums of money to meet the demands of their day, spending some \$40,000 upon the Baptist Female Institute, located at Murfreesboro, and surrounded by natural beauty, and which has been the pride of the Baptists of the northeastern part of North Carolina, and I might add with propriety the southeastern part of Virginia. For fifty-seven years the grand old Institute has stood as a beacon light along the Baptist shores to gladden the hearts of many homes, and when they were less in numbers and poorer in purse, like heroes, they paid a debt of over \$40,000. And now, my brethren, in these days of far greater numbers and abounding in wealth demands for the education of our daughters and the rapid advance of the age have forced upon us the necessity of adding a new building to our college, at a cost of \$9,600. This building had to come or our school could not prosper. Now, my brethren, do not be alarmed. This debt has got to be paid or our college will be gone. Let us like true soldiers of the cross put our shoulders to the wheel and lift the debt. This new building is going up rapidly. The fourth story is a fixed fact, and it gives us a large dining room, a chapel, two society halls for the accommodations of the two societies, and additional rooms for some twenty-five girls, with reading room for library facilities, etc. Also a new kitchen, much larger and more convenient than the one we had.

The school is in a prosperous condition, having 81 boarding pupils, 24 day pupils and 12 teachers, all doing good work. Now to the West Chowan Association, the old Chowan rejoices, ever more rejoices, for the school has done great things for us. Therefore we are glad, and the future of the school is bright.

An efficient chemical laboratory is now in successful use, and additional improved apparatus is now in the room set apart for the chemical, physical and biological laboratory, and has been and is being arranged in place for use by the pupils by our very efficient Professor S. A. Ives. The Science department has made a long step forward by the establishment of the laboratory and the placing of a trained scientist in charge, with improved apparatus and a supply of the best microscopes. A full year is given to the study of chemistry and physics. There is to be added an additional year in chemistry, in the arrangement of a course of study leading to the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

T. T. SPEIGHT.
C. L. L. COBB.

The report was discussed by T. T. Speight and R. P. Thomas. J. A. Speight offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That as an Association we approve the action of the Trustees of the C. B. F. Institute in the improvements made to the school property. We also advise the Trustees to consider the propriety of improving the old building, and also canvass the advisability of putting some suitable man in the field to raise the needed funds for this object.

The report was further discussed by C. W. Mitchell and C. W. Scarborough, and was adopted.

On motion, the discussion on Education was postponed till the afternoon session.

L. M. Curtis read the report on State Missions:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

It is with profound gratitude that we note the gracious revival spirit that has visited our churches in all parts of the State, attended by the large ingathering of souls into our churches generally. In this spiritual benediction our mission fields in the State have shared in a large measure. As the cause of State Missions is fostered and the work enlarged in that proportion we become effective abroad. It has passed into a missionary truism that State Missions are the foundation of all aggressive mission work on the foreign fields, as well as that of the outlying territories in our home land. If we would reach out far into the world we must have sound, strong and vigorous churches at home; therefore, as we sow the Gospel seed in the soil of our own State, we are sowing for all the world. A feeble armament can never do effective execution, either at short or long range. So a vital, energetic and robust mission spirit in our State is an essential condition of prosperity and growth in all other departments of work. This lies at the very basis, not of the direct Foreign Mission work, but at the very foundation of our Sunday Schools and denominational schools and of ministerial education, as well as that of church and chapel building.

The State Mission work in all its departments has been greatly blessed of God in building up denominational life, and of the saving of countless souls and enriching all that have contributed to its support. While much has been done, yet more remains to be accomplished. The field is still white unto the harvest.

Our work this year is upon a financial basis of thirty thousand dollars. With this inadequate sum much has been accomplished. "But what is this amount among so many?" We have distributed in what seems to be the most needy sections of our State 123 missionaries engaged in direct State Mission work, besides some 15 associational missionaries, making in all 138 engaged on the mission fields of our State. Some of the work done by these faithful workers is represented by 1,036 baptisms; added by letter, 898; church houses finished, 18; church houses in building, 59; churches organized, 16; Sunday schools on mission fields, 259; pupils, 13,571; conversions, 695; church members in Sunday schools, 1,000; Sunday schools organized, 60.

In addition to the above, some good, efficient work has been accomplished by the agency of the colporteurs. We have at present six of these workers. These faithful servants do a work much needed in our State, distributing Bibles and Testaments, religious books, literature and tracts. These touch a phase of life reached and impressed by no other agency.

Our Association pledged at the last session \$1,280 to State Missions. When we contemplate the needs of the work and consider the ability of our people, and further note the gracious revivals and the reported ingathering of souls into our churches, let us try our level best to raise at least \$1,500 for the coming year, and expect that the Baptist State Convention will project the work of State Missions on a basis of \$35,000 for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. CURTIS.

T. A. PARRY.

P. D. PARKER.

On this subject the Association was addressed by L. Johnson, L. M. Curtis. At this point H. C. Moore spoke on the Sunday school work of the State. T. G. Wood spoke briefly of his work at Manteo. The report was adopted.

The Moderator recognized W. R. Cullom, of Wake Forest, and A. Johnson, of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage.

Adjourned, with prayer by John Mitchell.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association convened and was led in prayer by W. R. Cullom. J. W. Dilday and J. H. Evans were excused from the further session of the Association.

Report on Ministers' Relief was read by John Mitchell:

REPORT OF MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

The work of this Board is to give timely and brotherly aid and relief to our aged and dependent Baptist ministers, and also to their widows when they are dependent. The means are furnished by the voluntary contributions of the brethren and churches.

The Convention instructed the Board to set apart one-third of the annual income for a permanent (interest-bearing) fund, so that two-thirds of the contributions and all accumulated interest is spent in the work of the Board. No member of the Board receives anything for services rendered. It is wholly a work of charity.

The Board has not been able to aid all needy applicants, or to give all the aid asked for by those it has helped. But after satisfactory evidence of worthiness on the part of all asking aid, and according to their best judgment, have distributed the funds furnished according to the necessities of the individual case.

The work of the Board is commended heartily to your sympathy and liberal support.

COMMITTEE.

Remarks were made by John Mitchell, C. J. D. Parker, W. L. Britt and L. M. Curtis. The report was adopted.

The report on the Orphanage was read by W. L. Britt:

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

An orphan home in any land is an evidence that the Christ spirit is in that land. An Orphan Home maintained by Baptists is an evidence that they are possessed by some of that same Christ spirit. A child is about the most helpless being in the world, and when, after a few months or years of care, a child's care-takers are smitten down what could be more helpless than he? We bless God for the Orphanage at Thomasville, not only because of the blessing it has been and still is to the fatherless children of our State, but also because it brings to every Baptist in this State the opportunity to show "what manner of spirit he is of." Since an Orphanage is an evidence that the Christ spirit is abroad in the land, so also the giving for the aid of the orphans is an evidence that the Christ spirit is in our own hearts. How much of this spirit are we manifesting by our gifts to this grand institution?

This year has been a severe one at the Orphanage. At our last Association it was noted that the typhoid fever was then raging at the institution. It continued its ravages for some time after that, but did not claim any more victims. Afterwards came the fire, which consumed the forage, farm implements and mules. Then the storm came, and it was thought that this year's crop was ruined. These disasters ought to cause us to increase our gifts for these helpless ones.

The present General Manager, the Rev. M. L. Kesler, took charge in September of this year. He found 277 children there, and a debt of about \$11,000 resting on the Orphanage. He has taken hold vigorously and wisely and well merits our most liberal and hearty support. Our Association is able and ought to do a great deal more for the Orphanage than we have ever done, and we can do it, if we just will. In order to stimulate us along this

line we call attention to the following summary of the help rendered the Orphanage by this Association for the year ending October, 1904.

Number of churches contributing.....	35	
Number of Sunday schools contributing.....	31	
Number both church and Sunday school contributing...	23	
Number neither church nor Sunday school contributing.	3	
Number Missionary Soiceties contributing.....	2	
Smallest amount from any giving church.....		\$ 1.20
	Average	.01¾
Largest amount given by any one church.....		153.50
	Average, each	1.49

Four thousand five hundred and eighty-five Sunday school workers gave \$809.90; average, 11 cents.

Ten thousand three hundred and ninety-eight church members gave \$557.07; average, 5 1-3 cents.

Supposing that all the contributions to the Orphanage came from our church members, then we have 10,398 church members giving \$1,366.97; average, 13 cents.

These figures ought to furnish food for very serious thought on our part. Oh! that the Lord would help us do our duty.

In closing, we beg leave to make the following recommendation:

That each Sunday School Superintendent se to it that at least one Sunday's collection in each month is given to the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. BRITT.

The report was spoken to by W. L. Britt and A. Johnson.

Resolved, That we hereby pledge this Association to raise \$500 during the coming year for the debt on the Orphanage, and that the pastors be requested to bring this matter before the churches.

The report was adopted.

A cash collection was taken for the Orphanage, amounting to \$25.

The Report on Education was read by C. W. Scarborough:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Baptists neither put education above character, nor above a call from God to preach. We do covet the best men, and the best men at their best. One of the primary objects of our Convention is "to educate young men called of God to the ministry, and approved by the churches to which they belong; to encourage education among all the people of the State." Seventy-five years ago our fathers saw the necessity of an educated ministry, for it they prayed and sacrificed. To-day the necessity presses on us with accumulated force. We cannot avoid it. The public school and library, the newspaper, the telephone, cheap books—these are in reach of our people, and make them intelligent. The preacher must have, first of all, heart power and then mind power, properly trained and harnessed. God is still calling poor men to preach His Gospel, and they are hearing the call. Thank God! there are more young ministers at Wake Forest to-day than ever before. Last year at this time there were 47; to-day there are 58. This increase is in answer to prayer, and with this increase comes larger responsibility, larger privileges, for these cry to us for help. The college gives tuition and we must help pay their board. It is a worthy cause, and the Board of Education is worthy of your confidence and support. Fields which need and ask for trained men are multiplying. How can we do more with our money to enlarge the Kingdom of God than by putting it in the brains of consecrated young men.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH,

J. E. MATTHEWS,

R. A. MYERS,

Committee.

The Association was addressed by W. R. Cullom.

The report was adopted.

The Association adjourned, with prayer by W. P. Jordan.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. A. Speight, after which J. S. Mitchell, the Vice-Moderator, called the Association to order. R. L. Gay led in prayer.

On motion, the following resolution was offered by L. M. Curtis, and was adopted:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Association be requested to send a schedule of the work of this body to the representative of each department of our work, viz., State Missions, the Orphanage, Education and Periodicals.

S. B. Barnes presented the Home Mission Report:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Ga., is trying to give this Southland of ours the pure Gospel of Christ.

The Field—We have the mountain region, with its two thousand people crying for help, and the territories and Cuba. We have the foreigners, too, coming to our borders. We must look after his spiritual welfare. In the cities our missionaries are doing great good, in looking after the foreigner as he comes to our shores. The negro, too, is in our land. Shall we not give him the Gospel also? Yes. Jesus said, "Go preach the Gospel to every creature. The man in black is one of God's creatures; he is here, we must help him, as well as the Indian, the Chinaman, and all others. God has graciously blessed the labors of the faithful forces. In all the States where the Board has worked we see signs of progress. We have reported 10,550 baptisms, added by letter 10,019, total 20,570 additions. Surely the Lord is fulfilling His promise to His people. Let us enlarge our gifts, till Home Missions will be equal to State and Foreign Missions.

Your Committee would recommend the Home Field. The price is only ten cents per year. It will help us to study Home Missions better.

Respectfully,

S. B. BARNES, Committee.

The report was spoken to by C. W. Scarborough and J. C. Scarborough, and was adopted.

M. A. Adams made the report on Foreign Missions:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In obedience to the command of our Lord to give the Gospel to all the world, we Baptists of the South are now engaged in mission work in four papal and three pagan countries—Italy, Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, Africa, China and Japan. We have 194 churches, 181 missionaries, 69 ordained native helpers and a membership of 11,423. There were 2,231 baptisms on our mission fields last year, by far the largest number with which God has blessed us. Our contributions, amounting to \$283,415.88, were by far the largest ever given by our people. During the year fifty new missionaries were sent out, and the call is still for more laborers and more means to support them. The work of the Board for this year is projected on a basis of 25 per cent. advance. Let us see to it that we join without fail and enthusiastically in this onward movement to evangelize the world.

In order to attain this end:

(1) We recommend that each pastor attempt to secure a contribution for Foreign Missions from each member of his church.

(2) We most heartily commend the work of our Women's Mission and Sunbeam Societies.

(3) As a means of imparting information, we suggest the distribution of

the tracts furnished gratis by Dr. Willingham and the circulation of the Foreign Mission Journal.

M. A. Adams addressed the Association on the report, which was adopted. At this point the Association was led in prayer by M. A. Adams.

The Report on Church Statistics was dispensed with for this session, the committee not being prepared to report.

The Committee on Time and Place for the next session of this body reported: Time, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1906; Place, Cashie, Bertie county; to preach the sermon, Jesse McCarter.

The report was adopted.

The following resolution, by J. C. Scarborough, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Clerk receive twenty-five dollars for his services, and that he be authorized to have the minutes printed on the best terms consistent with neatness and expedition, by any printer he may be able to make a contract with, for the money which may be in his reach after receiving his compensation for his services.

The following is the Treasurer's Report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the Finance Committee, at Ross's Church, for the West Chowan Baptist Association, on October 27, 1904, the following amounts:

Foreign Missions	\$ 289.21
State Missions	194.39
Home Missions	121.00
Ministerial Education	46.50
Orphanage	25.61
Minute Fund	81.00

Amounts received \$ 757.71

Disbursements.

Paid Walters Durham, Foreign Missions	\$ 289.21
Paid Walters Durham, State Missions	194.39
Paid Walters Durham, Home Missions.....	121.00
Paid Walters Durham, Ministerial Education	46.50
Paid J. B. Boone, Orphanage	25.61
Paid N. W. Britton for services as Clerk.....	25.00
Paid Edwards & Broughton (Minutes).....	56.00

Amounts paid out.....\$ 757.71

C. W. HARRELL, Treasurer,

October 24, 1905.

Woodland, N. C.

The following resolution, by J. A. Speight, was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association offer a vote of thanks to this church and community for their entertainment and generous hospitality during this session.

The Finance Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

State Missions	\$ 109.16
Foreign Missions	82.10
Home Missions	44.74
Education	25.62
Orphanage	8.85
Minute Fund	94.87
Sunday School Board.....	5.00
Ministers' Relief Fund.....	2.13

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BOON.

W. H. MILLER.

C. R. LIVERMAN.

The report was adopted.

On motion, J. C. Scarborough, J. S. Mitchell and R. P. Thomas were appointed a committee to prepare an Order of Business to be submitted to the next session of the Association.

On motion, M. A. Adams was appointed a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, and R. L. Gay, W. L. Britt and T. T. Speight were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

L. M. Curtis was elected a member of the State Mission Board.

A. T. Howell was appointed to write a memorial of Mrs. A. McDowel.

On motion, R. L. Gay and A. T. Liverman were continued a committee looking to the erection of a suitable monument to the memory of Elder Burkett, and to report at the next Association.

On motion, a very harmonious session of the Association closed by singing "There's a land that is fairer than day," and with prayer by T. G. Wood.

N. W. BRITTON, Clerk.

C. W. MITCHELL, Moderator.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Hebron Church is midway between Woodland and Menola, and here is possibly the best farming section in the territory covered by the Association. Here the West Chowan Association held its twenty-third session, with quite a full delegation, for the place of meeting is central.

The Hebron church was first organized as an anti-mission church, as I learned from Bro. James Griffin, but in the course of time a deep Bible conviction came over the membership and the church was reorganized and took position along with the sister scriptural churches of this Chowan section.

Rev. W. L. Britt preached the introductory sermon, which was kindly received, and as it was along a new line, for an occasion of that kind, its publication was requested.

There was a time when Temperance was rather threadbare, but not so now, for the talks on this subject by Brothers T. T. Speight, J. C. Scarborough and S. F. Conrad elicited great interest.

C. B. F. Institute is in a flourishing condition, with a large addition being constructed, and the Trustees were instructed to spend two thousand dollars to improve the old building, if needed.

State Missions as presented by Bro. L. Johnson and his map excited great interest.

The duty of the churches to make provision for the aged ministers and for the Orphanage found warm advocates in C. J. D. Parker and A. Johnson.

Foreign Missions came up on Thursday, when it was raining and the crowd was small, but it was the best day of the meeting. Rev. M. A. Adams submitted the report and made an address of marked power and force.

W. P. Thomas, T. T. Speight and C. W. Mitchell made very fine talks on female education.

Our dead were tenderly remembered, for the year had thinned our ranks. Pleasant Grove had lost N. J. Britton and Langley Taylor; Woodland had given up Solomon Parker and Mrs. Eliza Garrett; Meherrin had to part with James B. Barker and Mrs. Sallie Parker; Harrellsville had mourned over the death of Dr. Ab. Askew and Mrs. Sumner Newsome. The Association had scarcely adjourned when Thomas Henry Speight, of Republican, and the oldest son of T. T. Speight and a charming young man, was brought home from school in his coffin. Thank God, the day is coming when there will be no more death, for death itself will be dead.

Besides those who usually come to represent denominational objects, the visitors were C. J. D. Parker, who was raised here, with W. C. Blair, of Virginia. Come again, friends.

Brothers R. L. Gay, M. A. Adams and Jesse McCarter were the new pas-

tors who had settled in our midst during the year, and these were warmly welcomed.

Much rheumatism with the writer immediately after the meeting cut short these notes.

J. A. SPEIGHT.

THE MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the West Chowan Association met in its eleventh session Oct. 25, 1905, about two o'clock, in the school house at Hebron Church.

Before the house was called to order, Rev. Livingston Johnson made the ladies a stirring Missionary address.

In the absence of the Vice-President, the house was called to order by Mrs. John Holloman, who opened the meeting by reading Acts 26 and other portions of Scripture. Subject—A Great Surrender.

A prayer by Mrs. Walter Britt was followed by the song "More Love to Thee."

Mrs. Emma Tayloe was elected Secretary pro. tem. Twenty-eight Societies and Sunbeam Bands responded to roll call. While but few Societies pledged for another year, we believe that not one of the Societies that reported will be satisfied to fall below this year's figures.

The Vice-President's report was read. In her report she endeavored to point out the advance in the work along different lines during the year, at the same time laying great emphasis upon the matters wherein we have failed, and urging the members to greater diligence and more complete surrender and sacrifice.

Mrs. Britt read the Recommendations for another year, which were accepted by the body. Miss Bettie McGloughan read a letter from Miss Fannie E. S. Heck which was a very clear explanation of the command "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel." A letter from Miss Mattie Jenkins—a veritable heart longing for more earnestness, zeal and definiteness of aim in our Missionary Work—was read by Miss Mary Tayloe.

The meeting was then closed by prayer by Mrs. E. J. Harrell.

MRS. JOHN HOLLOMAN, Pres. pro. tem.

MRS. EMMA TAYLOE, Sec. pro. tem.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Sixteenth Session of the West Chowan Sunday School Convention met with Sandy Run church at Roxabel, N. C., July 29th to 31st. The Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. J. R. Taylor from Isaiah 11:53. Organization and election of officers, as follows: T. E. Brown, Pres.; Paul J. Long, Vice-Pres.; W. L. Davis, Secy.; N. W. Britton, Treas. Practical subjects discussed and regular order of business carried out. A Bible Teachers Institute was organized with the following officers: W. L. Davis, Pres.; John Cale, Vice-Pres.; Hartwell Scarborough, Secy.; N. W. Britton, Treas. The Missionary sermon preached by Rev. W. L. Britt. Next session meets with Mount Tabor Church, Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1906. To preach the Introductory sermon, Rev Jesse M. McCarter, Alternate Rev. E. J. Harrell; to preach the Missionary sermon R. L. Gay.

W. L. DAVIS, Secretary.

T. E. BROWN, President.

PLEDGES FOR 1906.

CHURCHES.	Foreign	State	Home	Minis- terial
	Missions.	Missions.	Missions.	Education
Ahoskie	\$ 43.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Aulander	50.00	50.00	50.00	20.00
Bethlehem	45.00	50.00	21.00	18.00
Bethany	18.00	18.00	11.00	5.00
Brantley's Grove	22.50	20.00	18.00	3.00
Buckhorn	100.00	60.00	30.00	25.00
Capehart's	35.00	45.00	18.00	6.00
Cashie	100.00	65.00	25.00	20.00
Center Grove	27.00	37.00	17.00	8.00
Chowan	55.00	55.00	20.00	15.00
Christian Harbor	20.00	10.00	15.00	3.00
Coleraine	45.00	38.00	18.00	12.00
Connaritsa	25.00	35.00	22.00	10.00
Creeksville	15.00	15.00	5.00	3.00
Conway	30.00	25.00	12.00	8.00
Elam	30.00	20.00	11.00	5.00
Galatia	22.00	21.00	16.00	5.00
Green's X Roads	16.00	13.00	11.00	2.00
Harrellsville	35.00	35.00	15.00	5.00
Hebron	25.00	25.00	13.00	6.00
Hillside	4.00	7.00	4.00	2.00
Holly Grove	22.00	17.00	12.00	8.00
Jackson	20.00	25.00	17.00	5.00
Kelford	30.00	23.00	20.00	5.00
Lawrence's X Roads	20.00	25.00	10.00	4.00
Lewiston	27.50	25.00	15.00	10.00
Margaretsville	16.00	13.00	14.00	6.00
Mars Hill	60.00	30.00	32.00	5.00
Meherrin	*30.00	*30.00	*30.00	*10.00
Mt. Carmel	25.00	25.00	12.00	5.00
Mt. Tabor	40.00	35.00	25.00	7.00
Murfreesboro	50.00	40.00	30.00	15.00
Oak Grove	9.00	10.00	8.00	3.00
Pine Forest	12.00	12.00	8.00	7.00
Potecasi	25.00	30.00	20.00	11.00
Pleasant Grove	25.00	25.00	16.00	10.00
Republican	30.00	28.00	15.00	7.00
Rich Square	25.00	25.00	10.00	5.00
Roanoke	10.50	16.00	5.00	2.00
Roquist	6.00	7.00	6.00	2.00
Robert's Chapel	70.00	45.00	25.00	15.00
Ross's	30.00	40.00	15.00	5.00
Sandy Run	30.00	30.00	30.00	10.00
Seaboard	16.00	22.00	12.00	5.00
Siloam	3.00	.....	3.00	2.00
Severn	35.00	25.00	20.00	8.00
St. John's	20.00	16.00	10.00	4.00
Union	25.00	40.00	25.00	10.00
Winton	15.00	20.00	15.00	10.00
Woodland	25.00	20.00	15.00	6.00

*Paid.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

West Chowan Baptist Association.

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Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Preacher of the Introductory Sermon.	Texts.
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.....	R. P. Thomas.....	W. C. Parker.....	D. A. Woodson.....	Rom. 1:16.
1884	Robert's Chapel, Northampton Co.....	do.....	do.....	J. D. Hufham.....	Acts 20:24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.....	do.....	do.....	C. W. Scarborough..	Psalms 16:8.
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.....	do.....	do.....	C. W. Scarborough..	Heb. 13:1.
1887	Winton, Hertford Co.....	do.....	do.....	B. B. Williams.....	Acts 20:35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.....	do.....	do.....	M. L. Green.....	Gal. 6:10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.....	do.....	do.....	T. T. Speight.....	Gal. 6:10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.....	do.....	do.....	C. W. Scarborough..	Rom. 8:1.
1891	Union, Hertford Co.....	do.....	do.....	T. G. Wood.....	Habakkuk 2:15.
1892	Mt. Carmel, Northampton Co.....	do.....	do.....	Braxton Craig.....	Num. 13:30.
1893	Coleraine, Bertie Co.....	do.....	do.....	L. M. Curtis.....	Col. 2:10.
1894	Mt. Tabor, Hertford Co.....	do.....	do.....	A. Cree.....	Col. 1:28.
1895	Sandy Run, Bertie Co.....	do.....	do.....	J. B. Boone.....	Rom. 15:1, 2, 3.
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co.....	do.....	do.....	R. D. Cross.....	Eph. 1:17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.....	J. C. Scarborough..	W. R. Raynor.....	— McKaughan.....	Acts 5:29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.....	do.....	do.....	W. P. Jordan.....	Rom. 5:8; 8:32.
1899	Ahoskie, Hertford Co.....	do.....	do.....	J. A. Spaight.....	Joel 3:14, 15, 16.
1900	Potocasi, Northampton Co.....	C. W. Mitchell.....	do.....	R. D. Cross.....	Gal. 6:14.
1901	Capehart, Bertie Co.....	do.....	do.....	G. P. Harrill.....	Heb. 4:6.
1902	Connarisa, Bertie Co.....	do.....	do.....	D. Cale.....	2 Cor. 9:6, 7.
1903	Buckhorn, Hertford Co.....	do.....	do.....	L. M. Curtis.....	Rev. 3:7 to 11.
1904	Ross, Bertie Co.....	do.....	do.....	A. T. Howell.....	Exodus 10:16.
1905	Hebron, Northampton Co.....	do.....	do.....	W. L. Britt.....	Matt. 3:19; 26:26-28; 28:19, 20.

CHURCH

CHURCHES.	Location and Date of Constitution.	Received.				Lost				Membership.		
		Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Total.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Ahoskie.....	Hertford Co., 1804..	20	7	3	30	12	8	3	23	118	197	315
Aulander.....	Bertie Co., 1886....	38	5	3	51	5	4	2	11	112	128	240
Bethlehem.....	Hertford Co., 1835..	3	2	7	12	3	3	8	14	80	120	200
Bethany.....	Bertie Co., 1881....	6	11	...	17	5	...	1	6	111	128	239
Brantley's Grove...	Hertford Co., 1877..	14	7	3	24	1	...	2	3	79	105	184
Buckhorn.....	Hertford Co., 1835..	21	3	2	26	5	2	7	13	106	119	225
Capehart's.....	Bertie Co., 1824....	31	1	3	35	11	1	1	13	136	192	328
Cashie.....	Bertie Co., 1878....	...	6	2	8	1	2	2	5	107	169	276
Center Grove.....	Bertie Co., 1897....	10	5	1	16	5	2	2	9	83	98	181
Chowan.....	Hertford Co., 1895..	2	7	...	9	1	1	...	2	47	65	112
Christian Harbor...	Hertford Co., 1881..	11	2	6	19	12	1	...	13	65	69	134
Coleraine.....	Bertie Co., 1780....	10	7	2	19	5	2	5	12	128	166	294
Connaritsa.....	Bertie Co., 1789....	6	5	6	17	16	7	1	24	141	183	324
Creeksville.....	Northampton, 1892..	10	1	...	11	7	2	1	10	73	69	132
Conway.....	Northampton, 1905..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Elam.....	Northampton, 1844..	3	2	1	6	3	5	6	14	57	146	203
Galatia.....	Northampton, 1859..	33	5	2	40	3	4	5	12	144	168	312
Green's X Roads...	Bertie Co., 1874....	16	3	4	23	1	2	2	5	87	105	192
Harrellsville.....	Hertford Co., 1875..	...	9	1	10	2	8	3	13	76	80	156
Hebron.....	Northampton, 1856..	8	7	1	16	13	3	1	17	122	151	273
Hillside.....	Bertie Co., 1885....	17	4	...	21	12	1	...	13	32	35	67
Holly Grove.....	Bertie Co., 1804....	12	4	2	18	1	...	1	2	73	87	160
Jackson.....	Northampton, 1882..	2	2	...	4	7	5	2	14	38	51	89
Kelford.....	Bertie Co., 1898....	3	3	...	6	7	8	...	15	36	55	91
Laurence's X Roads.	Bertie Co., 1874....	19	9	...	28	5	2	1	8	120	119	239
Lewiston.....	Bertie Co., 1883....	1	4	...	5	5	2	1	8	92	97	189
Margarettsville...	Northampton, 1889..	...	1	1	1	1	...	2	3	24	23	47
Mars Hill.....	Bertie Co., 1854....	61	6	9	76	2	...	4	6	202	211	413
Meherrin.....	Hertford Co., 1729..	18	10	1	29	7	7	4	18	175	313	388
Mt. Carmel.....	Northampton, 1826..	8	4	1	13	2	1	4	7	88	123	211
Mt. Tabor.....	Hertford Co., 1839..	6	5	1	12	6	6	2	14	120	162	282
Murfreesboro.....	Hertford Co., 1843..	10	1	...	11	2	4	1	7	40	74	114
Oak Grove.....	Hertford Co., 1894..	14	...	3	17	1	2	...	3	11	6	17
Pine Forest.....	Northampton, 1888..	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	3	23	36	59
Potecasi.....	Northampton, 1808..	18	14	2	34	6	2	1	9	145	205	350
Pleasant Grove.....	Hertford Co., 1837..	21	9	12	42	14	5	3	22	103	172	275
Republican.....	Bertie Co., 1803....	42	2	3	47	7	2	3	12	174	230	404
Rich Square.....	Northampton, 1854..	7	2	3	12	8	3	3	14	84	109	193
Roanoke.....	Northampton, 1885..	3	1	...	4	3	...	...	3	43	58	101
Roquist.....	Bertie Co., 1878....	3	2	...	5	2	1	...	3	33	38	71
Robert's Chapel...	Northampton, 1848..	9	6	1	16	83	4	3	90	112	213	325
Ross's.....	Bertie Co., 1804....	74	1	5	80	6	1	5	12	310	449	759
Sandy Run.....	Bertie Co., 1750....	16	8	5	29	2	...	4	6	124	183	307
Seaboard.....	Northampton, 1889..	5	10	1	16	3	1	1	5	58	75	133
Siloam.....	...	8	9	2	19	5	...	1	6	37	47	84
Severn.....	Northampton, 1896..	12	7	...	19	5	1	1	7	88	65	153
St. John's.....	Hertford Co., 1883..	8	1	1	10	1	...	1	2	62	77	139
Union.....	Hertford Co., 1885..	12	6	2	20	2	2	1	5	82	84	166
Winton.....	Hertford Co., 1873..	18	2	2	22	2	3	1	6	91	114	205
Woodland.....	Northampton, 1902..	2	5	...	7	1	1	2	4	72	63	135
Total.....		671	233	103	1007	319	121	94	534	4564	6132	10696

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STATISTICS.

Pastors and Postoffices.	Clerks and Postoffices.	Sabbaths of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.
L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.....	Robert Holloman, Ahoskie...	2d and 4th	\$2500.00
W. L. Britt, Aulander.....	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander....	2d and 3d	2500.00
L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.....	A. B. Adkins, Bethlehem.....	1st and 3d	2750.00
S. B. Barnes, Branning.....	W. W. Perry, Branning.....	1st	1000.00
S. B. Barnes, Branning.....	W. J. Cowan, Cofield.....	3d	1000.00
C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.	S. P. Winborne, Como.....	2d and 4th	.....
T. T. Speight, Windsor.....	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill.....	1st	1000.00
R. L. Gay, Windsor.....	W. R. Cobb, Windsor.....	1st and 3d	2000.00
L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.....	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.....	2d	1000.00
M. A. Adams, Winton.....	T. D. Boone, Winton.....	1st and 3d	2000.00
M. L. Green, Ahoskie.....	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville....	2d	2000.00
S. B. Barnes, Branning.....	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine.....	3d	2000.00
T. T. Speight, Windsor.....	A. J. Dunning, Aulander.....	3d	2000.00
D. Cale, Potecasi.....	W. H. Davis, Creeksville.....	.....	.....
J. R. Taylor, Jackson.....	R. J. Hancock, Seaboard.....	3d	1000.00
D. Cale, Potecasi.....	W. C. Smith, Seaboard.....	3d	1500.00
W. P. Jordan, Coleraine.....	J. A. White, Windsor.....	2d	650.00
J. A. Speight, Tunis.....	D. Taylor, Harrellsville.....	3d	.....
E. J. Harrell, Woodland.....	J. K. Revel, Conway.....	3d	.....
C. E. Edwards, Windsor.....	F. M. Thomson, Cahoba.....	.....	.....
W. L. Britt, Aulander.....	J. H. Bowen, Askewville.....	1st	1200.00
J. R. Taylor, Jackson.....	Edwin Wright, Jackson.....	.....	.....
T. T. Speight, Windsor.....	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford.....	.....	.....
S. B. Barnes, Branning.....	J. R. Phelps, Sansouci.....	4th	2000.00
R. L. Gay, Windsor.....	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston.....	.....	.....
Jesse McCarter, Severn.....	A. S. Edwards, Margarettsville	2d	.....
W. P. Jordan, Coleraine.....	B. W. Lee, Coleraine.....	.....	.....
J. A. Speight, Tunis.....	O. Parker, Murfreesboro.....	1st	1000.00
J. R. Taylor, Jackson.....	J. G. Joyner, Seaboard.....	1st and 4th	1000.00
A. T. Howell, Murfreesboro.	J. A. Parker, Ahoskie.....	1st and 3d	2000.00
A. T. Howell, Murfreesboro.	W. B. Spencer, Murfreesboro.	1st, 2d, 3d, 4th	2000.00
W. L. Britt, Aulander.....	S. E. Marsh, Aulander.....	3d	.....
Jesse McCarter, Severn.....	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg	1st	800.00
D. Cale, Potecasi.....	E. B. Lassiter, Potecasi.....	2d	.....
E. J. Harrell, Woodland.....	C. W. Parker, Menola.....	4th	.....
W. L. Britt, Aulander.....	Levi Hoggard, Windsor.....	4th	.....
E. J. Harrell, Woodland.....	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square.....	2d	.....
J. R. Taylor, Jackson.....	R. C. Lassiter, Lasker.....	.....	.....
C. E. Edwards, Windsor.....	J. M. Yates, Windsor.....	2d	500.00
C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.	J. W. Martin, Conway.....	1st and 3d	2000.00
T. T. Speight, Windsor.....	John T. Hoggard, Windsor....	4th	3000.00
R. L. Gay, Windsor.....	G. H. Barnes, Roxobel.....	4th	2500.00
J. R. Taylor, Jackson.....	J. S. Gay, Margarettsville....	.....	.....
B. Leggett, Windsor.....	Lee Bond, Windsor.....	.....	.....
Jesse McCarter, Severn.....	W. H. Howell, Severn.....	4th	2000.00
D. Cale, Potecasi.....	S. E. Vaughan, Ahoskie.....	.....	.....
M. A. Adams, Winton.....	John Freeman, Union.....	2d and 4th	2000.00
J. A. Speight, Tunis.....	K. G. Newsome, Winton.....	.....	.....
E. J. Harrell, Woodland.....	Lewter McDaniel, Woodland..	1st and 3d	1600.00

EXPENSES OF CHURCHES,

CHURCHES.	Church.					
	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Repairs to Buildings and Grounds.	Poor Fund.	Minute Fund.	Total.
Ahoskie.....	\$ 350.00	\$ 68.94	\$ 5.80	\$ 15.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 442.74
Aulander.....	300.00	60.00	13.00	18.00	2.50	393.50
Bethany.....	300.00		606.43	20.00	2.00	928.43
Bethlehem.....	125.00				2.00	127.00
Brantley's Grove.....	125.00	16.25	.50		2.25	144.00
Buckhorn.....	400.00	109.32	90.00		2.00	601.00
Capehart's.....	175.00	16.00	10.56	37.73	3.00	242.29
Cashie.....	400.00	50.00	300.00	15.00	2.50	767.50
Center Grove.....	187.00	20.00		5.50	2.50	165.00
Chowan.....	400.00	78.75	12.00		2.00	492.75
Christian Harbor.....	104.00	14.87	3.00		1.50	123.72
Coleraine.....	175.00	3.75		5.00	2.50	186.25
Connaritsa.....	202.00	146.50	8.54	21.68	2.50	361.22
Creeksville.....	100.00	6.00			1.50	107.50
Elam.....	100.00	5.00			1.50	106.52
Galatia.....	163.00	13.20	6.21	52.41	2.70	257.89
Green's X Roads.....	125.00		22.90		1.00	148.90
Harrellsville.....	150.00	30.00			2.00	182.00
Hebron.....	150.00	20.85		5.00	2.50	178.35
Hillside.....	50.00	3.15			.50	53.65
Holly Grove.....	125.00	12.00			2.00	139.00
Jackson.....	175.00	50.00			1.00	226.00
Kelford.....	150.00	52.00		7.59	2.00	211.59
Laurence's X Roads.....	150.00	18.00		18.00	1.55	187.55
Lewiston.....	200.00	25.00	75.00		2.50	302.50
Margarettsville.....	100.00	15.00			.75	115.75
Mars Hill.....	150.00	51.00			2.00	203.00
Meherrin.....	150.00	25.33		27.00	2.50	205.80
Mt. Carmel.....	150.00	15.00	25.00		2.00	192.00
Mt. Tabor.....	300.00	6.35	140.00	30.57	2.00	478.72
Murfreesboro.....	400.00	69.35	201.22		2.00	672.57
Oak Grove.....	100.00	8.00			.50	108.50
Pine Forest.....	100.00				.75	100.75
Potecasi.....	150.00	44.12		7.00	2.00	203.12
Pleasant Grove.....	200.00	13.00	17.50		2.00	232.50
Republican.....	200.00	10.00	130.00	2.84	3.00	345.84
Rich Square.....	150.00	22.00			1.50	173.00
Roanoke.....	100.00	10.00			1.00	110.00
Roquist.....	75.00				.50	75.50
Robert's Chapel.....	400.00	32.00	2.00	52.35	3.00	489.85
Ross's.....	200.00	23.00	2.10	35.64	3.00	264.24
Sandy Run.....	200.00	40.00	150.00	15.00	3.00	408.00
Seaboard.....	125.00	25.00			1.00	156.00
Siloam.....	50.00		150.00		1.00	201.00
Severn.....	150.00	30.95		7.20	2.00	190.15
St. John's.....	100.00	10.90	38.00		2.00	145.95
Union.....	300.00	96.48			2.00	398.48
Winton.....	250.00	40.00			1.50	291.50
Woodland.....	150.00	56.11			2.00	208.91
Total.....	\$9071.00	\$1483.17	\$2204.76	\$398.51	\$94.00	\$13097.08

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Sunday School.						Missionary Society.					
Incidental Expenses.	Cost of Papers and Quarterlies.	Cost of Books.	Poor Fund.	Other Objects.	Total.	Incidental Expenses.	Cost of Literature.	Cost of Correspondence.	Other Objects.	Total.	Total Expenses of Churches in all Departments.
.....	\$ 24.30	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 7.75	\$ 32.05	\$.....	\$.....	\$.50	\$.....	\$.50	\$ 475.29
2.56	23.00	14.00	.....	.....	37.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	430.50
.....	22.35	4.00	.....	36.85	65.76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	994.19
.....	2.84	.....	.....	.....	2.84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	129.84
.....	18.96	.55	.....	.....	19.51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	163.51
3.17	14.89	4.82	.....	6.29	29.14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	630.14
.....	6.50	.....	.....	.....	6.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	248.79
20.00	24.50	13.50	.....	.....	58.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	825.50
.....	28.25	.....	.....	3.50	31.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	196.75
8.21	26.80	.....	.....	14.00	49.01	.45	.87	.....	30.00	31.32	573.08
11.73	16.73	4.08	.....	8.90	47.44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	171.16
.....	16.60	.....	.....	.....	16.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	202.85
.....	16.25	2.78	.....	.....	19.03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80.25
.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	117.50
3.45	4.73	.....	.....	.....	8.18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114.70
.....	10.00	4.00	.....	.....	14.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	271.89
.....	10.14	.....	.....	.....	10.14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	159.04
.....	.....	13.54	.....	.....	13.54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	195.54
.....	11.41	.....	.....	.....	11.41	.....	.55	.12	.....	.67	190.43
.....	2.50	5.00	.....	.....	7.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61.15
.....	4.48	.....	.....	.....	4.48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	143.48
.....	30.00	1.00	.....	.....	31.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	257.00
4.64	37.81	.....	.....	.....	42.45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	254.04
.....	.30	.60	.....	.....	.90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	188.45
3.00	31.40	7.50	.....	5.00	46.90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	349.40
1.25	11.50	.....	.....	.....	12.75	.25	.....	.....	.....	.25	128.75
.....	7.60	.....	.....	.....	7.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	210.60
.....	23.20	.....	.....	.....	23.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	229.00
1.75	30.29	.....	.....	.....	32.04	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	224.04
.....	32.91	.....	.....	.....	32.91	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	511.63
.....	37.19	.....	.....	4.78	41.97	.....	.....	.37	.....	.37	714.91
.....	10.26	.....	.....	2.50	12.76	1.19	.....	.....	.....	1.19	122.45
.....	.96	.....	.....	.....	.96	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	101.71
.....	10.51	.79	.....	.....	11.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	214.32
.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	237.50
28.49	9.31	.....	.....	.....	37.80	.80	.....	.....	.....	.80	384.44
7.00	36.00	.....	.....	.....	43.00	.....	.35	.....	1.00	1.35	217.35
.....	17.00	.....	.....	.....	17.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	127.00
.....	1.20	.....	.....	.....	1.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	76.70
.....	20.00	2.75	.....	.....	22.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	512.60
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	264.24
.....	12.48	.....	.....	.....	12.48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	420.48
4.00	12.00	.....	.....	.....	16.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	172.00
10.00	.16	.....	.....	.....	10.16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	211.16
.....	22.41	.....	.....	.....	22.41	.86	.....	.....	.....	.86	213.42
.....	3.74	.35	.....	.....	4.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150.05
10.78	59.10	5.20	.....	.....	75.08	6.47	.85	.....	.....	7.32	470.88
54.20	10.25	.....	.....	.....	64.45	.....	.75	.....	.....	.....	355.95
10.47	15.00	.....	.....	.....	25.47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.75	235.13
\$184.70	\$792.75	\$84.46	.....	\$89.57	\$1151.48	\$10.02	\$ 3.37	\$.99	\$31.00	\$45.38	\$ 14289.98

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Superintendents and Postoffices.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.
Ahoskie.....	W. H. Miller, Ahoskie.....	10	108	118	....	....	12	75
Aulander.....	E. C. Harrell, Aulander.....	9	140	149	60	40	12	105
Bethlehem.....	R. P. Thomas, Cofield.....	14	72	86	217	135	9	45
Bethany.....	J. R. Byrum, Coleraïne.....	11	81	92	40	....	9	45
Brantley's Grove...	W. J. Cowan, Cofield.....	12	129	141	52	30	9	53
Buckhorn.....	R. A. Majette, Como.....	10	....	....	....	....	12	60
Capehart's.....	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill.....	8	87	95	50	....	6	57
Cashie.....	T. Gillam, Windsor.....	12	140	152	100	50	12	80
Center Grove.....	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.....	11	115	126	....	25	9	65
Chowan.....	J. E. Vann, Winton.....	8	65	73	....	115	12	57
Christian Harbor...	J. W. Holloman, Harrellsville...	9	82	91	....	132	12	61
Coleraïne.....	W. B. Felton, Coleraïne.....	15	106	121	....	180	12	70
Connaritsa.....	J. P. Slade, Aulander.....	18	156	174	50	384	6	110
Creeksville.....	Edwin Lassiter, Creeksville.....	13	80	93	24	36	12	69
Elam.....	C. L. Stephenson, Garysburg.....	8	40	48	....	....	12	25
Galatia.....	J. W. Rose, Margarettsville.....	10	112	122	....	....	....	....
Green's X Roads...	J. H. Dempsey, Windsor.....	9	108	117	....	....	9	75
Harrellsville.....	J. R. Modlin, Harrellsville.....	9	69	78	30	40	12	30
Hebron.....	G. M. Holloman, Woodland.....	20	120	140	36	....	12	87
Hillside.....	F. M. Thomson, Cahaba.....	10	60	70	....	40	6	25
Holly Grove.....	J. H. Bowen, Askewville.....	7	65	72	....	....	6	47
Jackson.....	P. J. Long, Jackson.....	12	48	60	50	25	12	40
Kelford.....	T. E. Tyler, Kelford.....	10	72	82	40	24	12	65
Laurence's X Roads.	J. M. Britt, Merry Hill.....	7	64	71	50	....	8	35
Lewiston.....	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston.....	8	82	90	50	34	12	65
Margarettsville...	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville	6	32	38	38	63	12	20
Mars Hill.....	D. W. Britton, Powellsville.....	10	123	133	40	....	9	80
Meherrin.....	W. S. Nelson, Murfreesboro.....	14	79	93	40	50	12	60
Mt. Carmel.....	I. J. Stephenson, Seaboard.....	10	91	101	79	137	12	70
Mt. Tabor.....	J. W. Boone, Union.....	14	86	100	44	40	12	55
Murfreesboro.....	H. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.....	19	125	144	70	200	12	88
Oak Grove.....	A. E. Saunders, Aulander.....	9	50	59	....	20	9	30
Pine Forest.....	J. B. Collier, Jetts, Va.....	6	25	31	....	....	12	20
Potocasi.....	E. B. Lassiter, Potocasi.....	10	119	129	....	....	12	85
Pleasant Grove...	W. M. Joyner, Woodland.....	8	62	70	50	78	6	43
Republican.....	A. V. Cobb, Windsor.....	13	90	103	50	....	7	....
Rich Square.....	J. P. Holloman, Rich Square.....	8	108	116	....	40	12	60
Roanoke.....	W. R. Bridgers, Lasker.....	7	50	57	....	....	12	35
Roquist.....	G. D. Leggett, Woodard.....	6	25	31	....	....	4	18
Robert's Chapel....	B. F. Martin, Conway.....	12	138	150	219	40	12	110
Ross's.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Sandy Run.....	E. L. Bishop, Roxobel.....	11	128	139	351	....	12	57
Seaboard.....	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard.....	8	60	68	137	20	12	45
Siloam.....	B. Leggett, Windsor.....	8	45	53	....	....	10	25
Severn.....	J. N. Stephenson, Severn.....	15	90	105	....	....	12	60
St. John's.....	H. T. Vaughan, St. John's.....	7	61	68	....	....	6	35
Union.....	John Freeman, Union.....	12	110	122	20	148	12	64
Winton.....	J. S. Mitcheil, Winton.....	10	95	105	....	....	12	61
Woodland.....	C. H. Griffin, Woodland.....	10	100	110	....	35	12	75
Total.....	....	501	4094	4595	1987	....	....	....

MISSIONARY SOCIETY STATISTICS.

Presidents and Postoffices.	Corresponding Secretaries and Postoffices.	Number Officers.	Number Members.	Total.
Mrs. E. Hayes, Ahoskie.....		4	29	33
Mrs. W. L. Britt, Aulander.....	Ethel Early, Aulander.....	5	22	27
Mrs. Helena Barnes, Banning.....	Miss E. C. Pearce, Coleraine.....	3	71	74
Mrs. Julia Green, Ahoskie.....	Mrs. J. H. Hoggard, Ahoskie.....	2	128	130
Mrs. J. Vann, Como.....	Miss Tena Picot, Como.....	4	21	25
W. L. Davis, Windsor.....	C. E. Modlin, Windsor.....	5	100	105
Mrs. J. E. Vann, Winton.....	Miss A. G. Carter, Winton.....	4	27	31
W. J. Lloyd, Harrellsville.....	M. N. Saunders, Harrellsville.....	4	65	69
Mary E. Bassiter, Creekville.....	Bessie M. Davis, Creekville.....	4	65	69
Eunice L. Stephenson, Garysburg.....	C. B. Wheeler, Garysburg.....	3	33	36
Mrs. D. W. Taylor, Seaboard.....	Mrs. W. J. Britton, M'g'tsv.....	3	57	60
Mrs. Martha Castelow, Windsor.....	Miss V. Castelow, Windsor.....	3	38	41
Mrs. J. P. Griffin, Woodland.....		9	127	136
Mrs. Sallie Barnes, Powellsville.....	Miss F. M. Harmon, Pw'tsvle.....	4	26	30
Mrs. S. M. Colvert, Jackson.....		4	30	34
C. E. Britt, Merry Hill.....	Annie Williams, Windsor.....	4	34	38
Mrs. W. Mitchell, Lewiston.....		4	40	44
Miss Maud Stancell, Margarettsville.....	Mrs. J. Edwards, Marg'tsvle.....	4	10	14
Ada Parker, Murfreesboro.....	J. K. Parker, Murfreesboro.....	8	50	54
Belle I. McGlawhan, Seaboard.....	Mamie Sears, Seaboard.....	4	60	64
Mrs. Sallie Boyette, Mapleton.....	Susie Darden, Ahoskie.....	4	39	43
Miss Annie Howell, Murfreesboro.....	S. W. Williamson, Murfrs'b.....	8	76	84
Mrs. Walter Britt, Aulander.....	Miss O. P. Marsh, Aulander.....	4	37	41
Jesse McCarter, Severn.....	Mrs. W. L. Carstarphen, Garysb.....	3	21	24
Mrs. C. R. Harrell, Potecasi.....		3	93	96
Miss Mary Taylor, Aulander.....		2	14	16
Miss Blanche Pritchard, Aulander.....	Miss E. Pritchard, Aulander.....	4	28	32
Mrs. E. J. Harrell, Woodland.....	Miss M. Hunter, Rich Sqr.....	3	25	28
Mrs. D. W. Burnett, Rehoboth.....		3	25	28
Miss Emma Lee, Pendleton.....	Miss Eva Martin, Pendleton.....	4	45	49
Miss Eunice Watson, Roxobel.....	Mrs. E. L. Tyler, Roxobel.....	4	22	26
Mrs. W. F. Grubs, Seaboard.....	Miss J. Maddrey, Seaboard.....	2	28	50
Helen Williams, Severn.....	Mrs. John Hoggard, Severn.....	4	16	20
Lucy A. Britton, St. John's.....		3	62	65
Mrs. John Freeman, Union.....	Mrs. T. N. Charles, Union.....	4	17	21
J. N. Jenkins, Winton.....	J. S. Mitchell, Winton.....	6	73	79
Mrs. C. W. Harrell, Woodland.....		7	22	29
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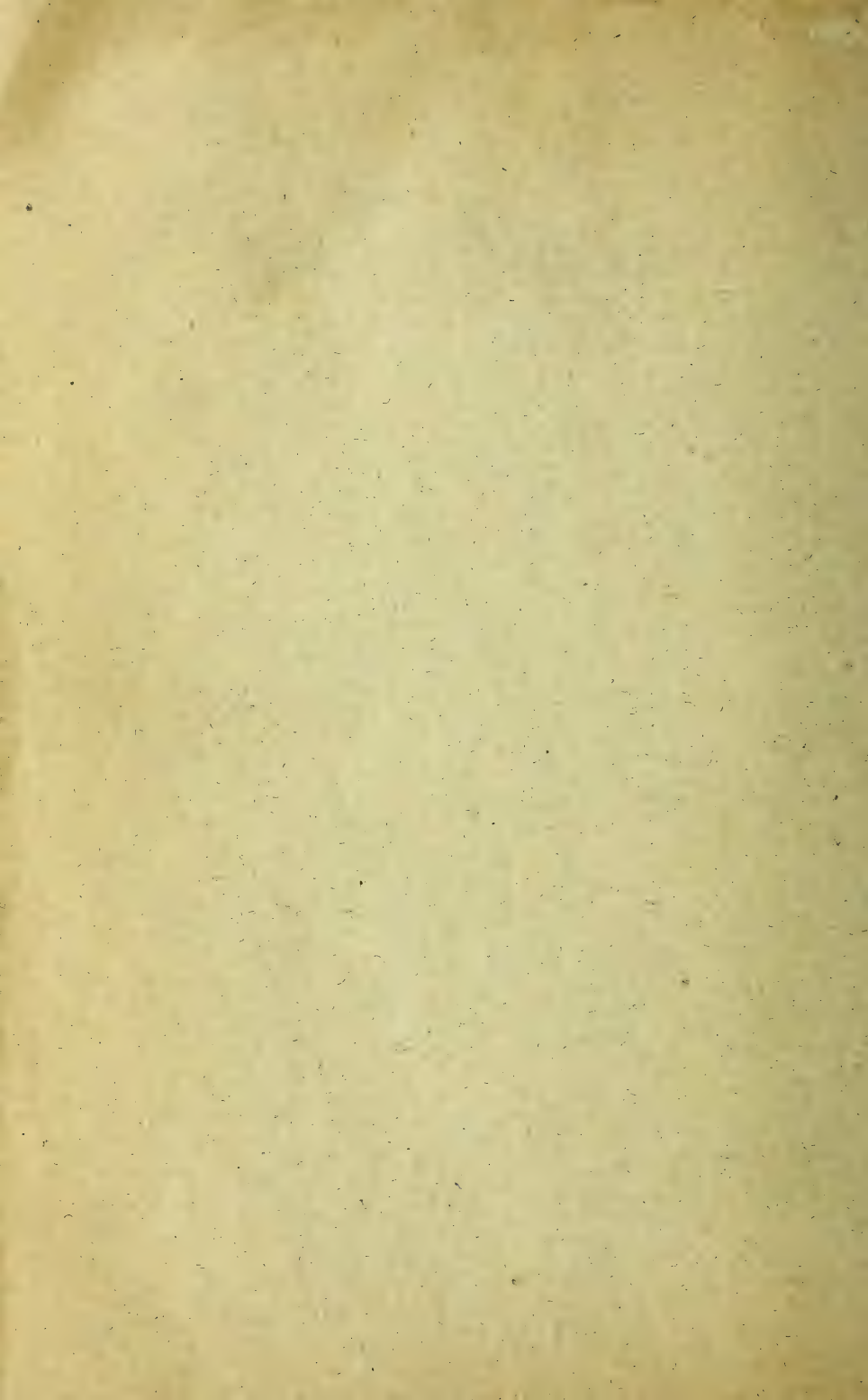
CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Ministers' Relief Board.	Poor Outside of Church.	Church Extension.	Other
Ahoskie.....	\$ 40.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 3.32	\$	\$	\$	\$ 4.13
Aulander.....	45.00	45.00	30.00	20.00	10.00	3.47	5.00	23.50	2.12
Bethlehem.....	40.00	45.00	21.00	18.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	1.11	1.11
Bethany.....	15.00	15.00	10.00	5.00	10.64	2.13	.....	.....	.....
Brantley's Grove.....	20.10	20.91	15.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Buckhorn.....	100.00	50.00	15.00	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Capehart's.....	35.00	40.00	16.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....
Cashie.....	40.86	11.78	5.00	20.00	8.00	4.92	.....	8.00	.....
Center Grove.....	25.00	32.00	15.00	7.00	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....
Chowan.....	26.20	10.00	13.80	15.00	38.20	5.00	.....	.....	.....
Christian Harbor.....	16.55	15.00	5.07	.....	25.41	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coleraine.....	40.00	35.00	15.00	10.00	8.50	2.00	.....	.....	.....
Connaritsa.....	25.00	26.97	22.00	.....	7.63	7.25	4.30	15.80	.....
Creeksville.....	15.00	12.00	5.00	3.00	.....	2.00	.....	3.35	.....
Elam.....	23.63	8.77	5.00	5.00	16.87	.....	.....	.....	.....
Galatia.....	22.50	21.50	15.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Green's X Roads.....	15.00	12.50	10.00	2.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harrellsville.....	22.00	25.00	14.00	5.00	7.25	.....	.....	5.00	.....
Hebron.....	25.00	25.00	13.00	7.00	7.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hillside.....	4.00	7.00	4.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	4.25	.....
Holly Grove.....	17.00	15.00	10.00	8.00	6.76	4.66	.....	1.50	.....
Jackson.....	20.00	22.00	17.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....
Kelford.....	20.00	15.00	15.00	3.00	11.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....
Lawrence's X Roads.....	15.00	20.00	6.00	4.00	14.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lewiston.....	25.00	22.00	12.00	7.00	7.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Margarettsville.....	15.00	12.00	12.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mars Hill.....	70.19	25.37	30.00	5.00	57.68	3.62	.....	.....	.....
Meherrin.....	25.00	30.00	35.00	10.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Carmel.....	13.60	18.86	6.50	6.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Tabor.....	40.00	35.00	20.00	7.00	20.05	.....	.....	13.00	.....
Murfreesboro.....	40.00	40.00	30.00	23.25	35.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oak Grove.....	8.00	9.00	7.00	3.00	5.00	2.13	.....	.....	.....
Pine Forest.....	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Potocasi.....	25.00	25.00	20.00	11.00	17.91	.....	1.35	9.00	.....
Pleasant Grove.....	25.00	25.00	16.00	10.00	36.47	.....	.....	5.00	.....
Republican.....	27.00	28.00	15.00	.....	.....	3.89	.....	9.00	.....
Rich Square.....	25.00	15.00	10.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roanoke.....	15.00	10.50	5.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roquist.....	6.00	6.00	6.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Robert's Chapel.....	100.00	50.00	35.00	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ross's.....	30.00	35.00	12.00	5.00	12.28	.....	.....	10.18	.....
Sandy Run.....	30.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	.....	2.30	.....	5.00	.....
Seaboard.....	15.00	20.90	11.00	5.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Siloam.....	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Severn.....	30.00	25.00	17.00	7.00	.....	.....	10.00	3.50	.....
St. John's.....	20.00	15.00	10.00	3.00	10.00	.....	.....	14.05	.....
Union.....	20.00	32.00	20.00	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Winton.....	15.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	3.99	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woodland.....	25.00	15.00	10.00	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$1315.63	\$1148.06	\$ 704.37	\$ 373.25	\$ 397.96	\$ 56.37	\$ 30.65	\$ 157.13	\$

TABLE.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.										
Total.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.	Sunday School Board.	Orphanage.	Poor Outside of Church.	Church Extension.	Other Objects.	Total.
9.88	\$	\$ 6.00	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 60.00	\$ 66.00
8.47	5.00					60.00				65.00
2.45					36.85					36.85
6.51		7.50								7.50
1.82	2.00				10.00			6.00		18.00
0.00						65.60			.71	66.31
8.50						7.50		27.56		35.06
8.56						30.15				30.15
0.00						27.64				27.64
0.20						60.00		5.00		65.00
7.10			2.05		3.71	5.12			2.12	13.30
0.50					5.00	10.00		8.25		22.25
3.65										
7.00										
8.48	5.02					18.59				23.61
1.78										
6.25										
3.25						30.00		5.00		35.00
2.00		5.00			2.00	5.00				12.00
7.00						9.02				9.02
3.29						11.00			11.76	22.76
6.50					6.75					6.75
4.00		8.00	3.00		11.00	19.33				41.40
2.00										
8.00										
4.00						12.00			2.00	14.00
1.76					7.95	21.80		6.26		36.01
0.00						17.25			6.00	23.25
4.96					1.56	15.93		4.00		21.49
0.41				2.72	5.00	42.62		5.00		55.44
0.25		5.07	3.43		5.00	51.21			13.00	72.71
8.48										
1.00										
2.26						24.69		4.00		28.69
4.97										
9.78		7.53				15.16				22.69
4.00						34.00				34.00
2.50										
0.00										
2.65					5.00	85.00				90.00
9.46										
7.30						63.12				63.12
3.90						20.00		2.00		22.00
3.00										
1.00			5.16			27.35				32.51
4.58			3.00							3.00
1.05										
3.99						2.54		5.00		7.54
9.50		5.00			1.50	20.00			5.18	31.68
\$ 3.64	\$ 12.02	\$ 44.10	\$ 16.64	\$ 2.72	\$ 101.32	\$ 812.62		\$ 78.07	\$ 100.77	\$ 1066.94

FINANCIAL TABLE—MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total.	Total Benevolence of Churches in all Departments.
Ahoskie.....	\$ 16.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 9.20	\$ 5.00	.....	\$ 26.50	\$ 66.70	\$ 322.58
Aulander.....	25.40	1.00	11.28	.....	2.50	15.50	55.18	298.59
Bethlehem.....	.....	3.47	3.85	.....	.....	.....	7.32	229.30
Bethany.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	81.33
Brantley's Grove.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	99.82
Buckhorn.....	24.96	5.30	83.55	.....	.....	3.00	116.81	373.12
Capehart's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	153.56
Cashie.....	59.14	48.22	20.00	.....	.....	.....	127.36	266.07
Center Grove.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	117.64
Chowan.....	28.80	40.00	6.20	.....	.....	.....	75.00	250.20
Christian Harbor.....	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	.....	2.00	19.00	149.40
Coleraine.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	132.75
Connaritsa.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	113.65
Creeksville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37.00
Elam.....	10.40	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.40	107.49
Galatia.....	.....	6.46	.....	2.00	1.21	.....	9.67	71.78
Green's X Roads.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55.92
Harrellsville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	108.25
Hebron.....	19.29	26.47	23.46	.....	2.08	51.00	122.30	216.30
Hillside.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26.02
Holly Grove.....	2.75	2.10	2.00	.....	20.00	.....	26.85	142.90
Jackson.....	3.70	7.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.05	114.30
Kelford.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	115.40
Laurence's X Roads.....	2.50	8.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.50	102.50
Lewiston.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78.00
Margarettsville.....	3.20	1.00	2.07	.....	.....	.....	6.27	64.27
Mars Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	227.77
Meherrin.....	1.70	5.13	1.44	.....	.....	4.20	12.47	145.72
Mt. Carmel.....	5.00	3.00	4.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00	98.45
Mt. Tabor.....	19.35	8.40	4.93	.....	.....	61.00	93.68	319.53
Murfreesboro.....	5.83	2.40	4.08	.....	.....	.....	12.68	275.64
Oak Grove.....	1.84	1.55	1.44	1.44	2.50	52.28	61.05	129.53
Pine Forest.....	1.35	1.00	1.05	.....	.....	.....	3.40	34.40
Potecasi.....	5.72	19.46	5.71	.....	.....	4.11	35.00	195.95
Pleasant Grove.....	2.00	2.00	1.05	.....	.....	.....	5.05	130.02
Republican.....	4.40	2.10	.....	.....	.....	3.00	9.50	181.97
Rich Square.....	11.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	1.00	16.00	114.00
Roanoke.....	2.43	1.55	2.74	.....	.....	.....	6.72	39.22
Roquist.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00
Robert's Chapel.....	3.00	2.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	6.00	448.65
Ross's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	129.46
Sandy Run.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	170.42
Seaboard.....	3.00	5.00	3.00	.....	.....	3.50	14.50	110.40
Siloam.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.00
Severn.....	1.84	4.92	2.99	.....	.....	1.00	10.75	164.26
St. John's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67.58
Union.....	12.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.00	138.05
Winton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	20.00	81.53
Woodland.....	6.05	5.20	6.00	.....	.....	.....	17.25	108.43
Total.....	\$281.65	\$235.08	\$208.04	\$ 10.44	\$ 28.29	\$ 248.09	\$1011.29	\$7246.87



MINUTES

OF THE

Twenty-Fourth Annual Session

OF THE

WEST CHOWAN

Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

Cashie Baptist Church, Bertie County, N. C.,

October 30, 31 and November 1, 1906.

The next session will be held with Christian Harbor Church, Hertford County, beginning on Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1907. R. L. Gay to preach the Introductory sermon, J. R. Taylor, alternate.

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STANDING COMMITTEES.

State Missions—M. P. Davis, W. C. Hughes, R. W. Fleetwood.
Foreign Missions—C. W. Scarborough, G. C. Picot, H. J. Ward.
Home Missions—L. M. Curtis, G. W. White, Albert Vann.
C. B. F. Institute—Thomas, Gillam, W. P. Taylor, J. L. Pruden.
Temperance—J. T. Williams, W. C. Evans, D. N. Stephenson.
Periodicals—S. B. Barnes, J. B. Vick, Paul Harrell.
Ministers Relief Board—C. E. Edwards, J. R. Mathews, C. M. Edwards.
Baptist Orphanage—W. B. Waff, J. H. Lawrence, J. R. Stephenson.
Education—T. T. Speight, Dr. Wayland Mitchell, J. H. Evans.
Church Statistics—W. P. Shaw, Jr., R. Sewall, B. A. Draper.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

E. J. Harrell.....	Woodland, N. C.
Dancy Cale	Potecasi, N. C.
L. M. Curtis.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
M. L. Green.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
S. B. Barnes.....	Branning, N. C.
C. W. Scarborough.....	Murfreesboro, N. C.
T. T. Speight.....	Windsor, N. C.
R. T. White.....	Seaboard, N. C.
J. R. Mathews.....	Aulander, N. C.
B. Leggett	Windsor, N. C.
W. P. Jordan.....	Coleraine, N. C.
A. T. Howell.....	Murfreesboro, N. C.
W. L. Britt.....	Aulander, N. C.
J. R. Taylor.....	Seaboard, N. C.
M. A. Adams.....	Winton, N. C.
C. E. Edwards.....	Windsor, N. C.
R. L. Gay.....	Windsor, N. C.
M. P. Davis.....	Coleraine, N. C.

OFFICERS.

C. W. Mitchell, Moderator.....	Aulander, N. C.
J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator.....	Winton, N. C.
N. W. Britton, Clerk.....	Woodland, N. C.
J. P. Freeman, Treasurer.....	Union, N. C.
M. A. Adams, Historian.....	Winton, N. C.

The officers constitute the Executive Committee of the Association.

CONSTITUTION.

Name.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

Membership.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: Provided, no church shall have more than four delegates.

Objects.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

Powers and Prerogatives.

Art. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but can not bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for dismission.

Rights of the Churches.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

Duties of the Churches.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality; (2) The names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post-offices; (3) the Sabbaths of regular service; (4) the church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled and aggregate membership, male and female; (5) Sabbath school statistics; (6) amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund; (7) names of delegates and alternates; (8) any other information deemed of special importance.

Organization.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue

in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

Duties of Officers.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order, and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes an historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. (Adopted 1898.)

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that selling intoxicating liquors through a dispensary is a violation of the spirit and letter of the resolution in our Constitution. (1905.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.**First Day.**

- 11:00 A. M.—Introductory Sermon.
12:00 M. —Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
12:30 P. M.—Recess.
2:00 P. M.—Report of Committee on Credentials; Organize; Read Constitution; call names of Churches that failed to represent themselves at last session; receive new Churches; invite visitors; appoint committees.
3:00 P. M.—Report on Foreign Missions.
3:45 P. M.—Report on Periodicals.
4:00 P. M.—Assignment of homes.
Adjournment.

Second Day.

- 9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.
9:45 A. M.—Routine Business.
10:00 A. M.—Report on C. B. F. Institute.
11:00 A. M.—Report on Education.
11:30 A. M.—Report on State Missions.
12:30 P. M.—Recess.
2:00 P. M.—Routine Business.
2:10 P. M.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
2:30 P. M.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.
3:30 P. M.—Report on Temperance.
4:00 P. M.—Adjournment.

Third Day.

- 9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.
9:45 A. M.—Routine Business.
10:00 A. M.—Report on Home Missions.
10:45 A. M.—Report on Church Statistics.
11:00 A. M.—Report of Committees.
Miscellaneous Business. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

Tuesday, October 30, 1906.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met this day in its twenty-fourth annual session with Cashie Baptist Church, Bertie County. W. P. Jordan, as temporary Moderator, called the Association to order and the roll of churches was called and the delegates were enrolled as follows:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Ahoskie—D. S. Myers, *J. C. Jenkins, *W. H. Miller, J. B. Modlin.
Aulander—C. W. Mitchell, A. W. Early, M. E. Rice.
Bethlehem—R. P. Thomas, A. Bass, W. P. Shaw.
Bethany—E. A. Outland, *J. G. Perry, W. W. Perry.
Brantley's Grove—*A. T. Willoughby, *W. H. Bryant.
Buckhorn—H. J. Vann, G. C. Picot, R. A. Majette.
Capehart's—H. J. Ward, F. P. Britt, W. L. Baker.
Cashie—J. H. Mathews, T. Gillam, W. R. Cobb.
Centre Grove—*J. R. Mathews, *J. E. Mathews, *C. S. Godwin.
Chowan—W. P. Taylor, W. P. Shaw, Jr.
Christian Harbor—J. H. Evans, *J. W. Holloman, J. H. Myers.
Coleraine—Paul Harrell, M. D. Harrell, D. R. Britton, *A. A. Pearce.
Connaritsa—J. S. Jenkins, J. H. Cooke, *John H. Mitchell.
Creeksville—*C. M. Edwards, *W. H. Davis.
Conway—J. B. Vick, J. R. Martin.
Elam—*Cleveland Hart, J. R. Stephenson, *T. J. Bass.
Galatia—*D. A. Taylor, *W. C. Smith, *A. S. Hasty, *J. R. Taylor.
Green's X Roads—W. T. Asbell, Isaiah Castellow, W. N. Dempsey.
Harrellsville—J. T. Williams, *J. R. Modlin, R. F. Lowe.
Hebron—E. C. Parker, J. C. Vaughan, W. A. Futrell.
Hillside—J. R. Saunders, D. W. Pittman.
Holly Grove—*W. L. Vaughan, M. R. Barnes.
Jackson—Green F. Gay, *Walter Gay, R. W. Fleetwood.
Kelford—C. L. Cobb, W. C. Evans.
Lawrence's X Roads—J. W. Langdale, *W. M. White, W. M. Keter.
Lewiston—J. S. Hughes, J. L. Austin, Wayland Mitchell.
Margarettsville—Jordan Edwards, J. G. Stancell.
Mars Hill—D. W. Britton, W. P. Jordan, L. P. Freeman, *W. R. Raynor.
Meherrin—J. S. Chitty, W. S. Nelson, *C. C. Parker, *J. W. Warren.
Mount Carmel—*J. L. Pruden, *L. L. Taylor, *J. R. Stephenson.
Mount Tabor—M. D. Gatling, J. D. Sewell, John Vinson.
Murfreesboro—R. Sewell, J. B. Parnacascel, *W. G. Freeman.
Oak Grove—A. E. Saunders, *W. H. Newsom, *S. E. Marsh.
Pine Forest—*J. R. Carstarphen, *L. A. Jordan.
Potecasi—*C. R. Harrell, *James Gillam, F. T. Colson.
Pleasant Grove—T. E. Parker, R. A. Cooke, M. L. Taylor.
Republican—G. W. White, *A. V. Cobb, Irvin Pritchard, M. L. White.
Rich Square—Albert Vann, Everett Baugham, *W. J. Lassiter.
Roanoke—*J. V. Holloman, J. L. Newsome.
Roquist—J. E. Tadlock, *J. A. Pearce.
Robert's Chapel—D. N. Stephenson, G. T. Stephenson, John Barnes.
Ross's—A. J. White, J. H. Lawrence, J. B. Mitchell, *Worley Cowan.
Sandy Run—A. T. Liverman, B. F. Burkett, *E. L. Bishop.
Seaboard—*J. R. Crocker, *J. S. Gay.
Siloam—B. Legget, C. A. Harrell, *R. L. Speller.
Severn—*G. T. Fleetwood, *W. H. Pruden.
St. John's—*S. E. Vaughan, *H. T. Vaughan.
Union—J. A. Copeland, J. P. Freeman.

Winton—J. S. Mitchell, W. D. McGlaughan, *J. H. Jenkins.

Woodland—N. W. Britton, *C. W. Harrell, A. J. Vaughan.

Lasker—B. A. Draper, F. W. Bridgers.

* Absent.

C. L. L. Cobb, A. W. Early, F. P. Britt and J. H. Matthews were appointed a Committee on Credentials.

T. Gillam on behalf of Cashie Church and F. D. Winston on behalf of the town of Windsor welcomed the Association. These addresses were responded to by M. P. Davis.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the churches in accord with the Constitution. The report was adopted.

A. T. Howell read the Constitution and Rules of Order.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: C. W. Mitchell, Moderator; J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; J. P. Freeman, Treasurer; M. A. Adams, Historian.

Lasker Baptist Church made application for membership in this body, which was received after the Articles of Faith and organization were duly examined.

W. C. Merrett, a Methodist minister, and J. S. Farmer, of the Biblical Recorder, were recognized as visitors and invited to seats in the Association.

Committees were appointed as follows: Religious Exercises, Pastor and Deacons of Cashie Church; Time and Place and Preacher for the next session, M. P. Davis, J. H. Evans, F. P. Britt; Finance, J. H. Mathews, W. T. Asbel, J. H. Lawrence.

M. A. Adams was requested to preach the Introductory sermon. The Association then adjourned for dinner. Benediction by J. S. Farmer.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at two o'clock. At this hour, M. A. Adams preached the sermon from Heb. 13:1.

The report on Temperance was deferred until to-night, R. L. Gay, M. A. Adams, R. P. Thomas, being a committee to arrange a program for the discussion on temperance.

T. G. Wood and W. B. Waff were welcomed as visitors from the Chowan Association.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The government of the United States through our post office department is rapidly placing our country and village population on equal footing with the larger towns and cities in mail facilities. Now, the families in the country and the villages read the papers, daily and weekly, and keep up with current events. A few years ago this was not as it now is. With the great increase in advantages of postal service our people will read more than they have ever done in past years. This gives a wider field for our religious weeklies and other religious periodicals. This puts obligations and duties on Pastors and leaders in our Churches to place our religious papers and periodicals before our church members with more earnest pleas to them to put religious papers of distinctively Baptist stamp in their homes. We stand thus in mid stream of opportunity to multiply the means of giving religious literature in current form as well as in the more permanent book form to every home for the instruction of every inmate of every home embraced in the membership of our churches. We have not had such opportunities as we have now in all our past history.

Therefore, our Baptist papers ought to be more alert than ever before

in every proper effort to reach every home and supply as far as possible Baptist reading for every family. It is a good thing to multiply our members by supplying instruction in Baptist principles and doctrines. It is equally a good thing to make the means of intelligence abundant in every home, in every Baptist Church and Sunday School. To this end we recommend the Biblical Recorder, the organ of our Convention, and "Charity and Children," our Orphanage paper, as worthy of our support as a people and as great helps to us in the prosecution of our Denominational work in our State. Each carry columns full of helpfulness and light into our homes. We mention the North Carolina Baptist as a good Baptist paper, carrying correct principles into the home reached by it. It is helpful to pastors and people in giving information and stimulating intelligent zeal and healthful enthusiasm in our work. "The Foreign Mission Journal" published by the Foreign Mission Board, and "The Home Field", published by the Home Mission Board of our Southern Baptist Convention, keep us posted as to our Foreign Mission and Home Mission Fields. We heartily commend to our people. They each help us to see our work and understand it and to work intelligently for each of these exceedingly important fields of labor.

We further heartily commend to all our Churches the Sunday School papers and helps published by our Sunday School Board of Southern Baptist Convention. They are worthy to be placed and ought to be placed in every Sunday School within our bounds.

We commend heartily to all our West Chowan Church members The West Chowan Baptist Messenger. The field is limited but none the less important to us at home. This paper keeps us posted about our own field and the work at our own doors.

We close this report, written for the help of our people as well as for the help of our religious papers, with this advice to the papers. "Watch your advertisements closely and let nothing in which is of doubtful character. Let the things advertised be worthy of a clean religious paper, and let nothing gain admission to your columns which give birth to hopes in suffering men and women impossible of realization and bringing expenditures of means, all too small with many, for procuring the needed and necessary comforts for the sufferers.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
J. C. TYNES,
J. H. EVANS.

The report was discussed by J. C. Scarborough, J. S. Farmer, C. W. Scarborough, T. T. Speight, J. A. Speight, and was adopted.

The Committee on Hospitality assigned homes to the delegates and visitors.

Adjourned with benediction by T. G. Wood.

TUESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Association met with W. P. Shaw in the chair, and was led in prayer by J. A. Speight.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The modern temperance movement may be said to date from the publication at Philadelphia, in 1785, of Dr. Benjamin Rush's treatise on "The Effects of Ardent Spirits on the Human Body and Mind," which was published in the Gentleman's Gazette, and had a wide circulation. Three years later Lyman Beecher and J. B. Clark, both readers of Rush, took action,

and the result was the formation of what is believed to be the first modern temperance society. It was formed in Greenfield, N. Y., as an anti-spirits association, and still remains a teetotal Society. Other temperance organizations multiplied, our churches have all become temperance forces in theory, if not fully in practice, and we now have an army for temperance in this country, larger than the armies of Washington, Lee, and Napoleon combined.

Blighting as are the effects of alcohol upon the human body and mind, and three-fourths of all the paupers in our land have been made so by drink, yet it is even more ruinous to the soul, for the Bible declares that "No drunkard shall inherit the Kingdom of Heaven." Think of it, there are one and a quarter millions of confirmed drunkards in our country to-day.

Appalling as this appears, your committee believes the moderate drinker does to the cause of temperance more harm than the drunkard. And we read in Isa. 5:22: "Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine and men of strength to mingle with strong drink." Again, in Heb. 2:15: "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink."

It appears, therefore, to your committee that the time is at hand when our pulpits, and Churches should take high ground for temperance. For it remains a sad fact that the drink evil has not yet been blotted from the counties composing our Association.

Northampton has one dispensary, Hertford two, and Bertie has seven bars. Let us do away with the delusion that the dispensary is a stepping stone to temperance. It only makes every person in the community a share holder in this work of death.

Your committee recommends:

1. That our women and Sunbeams hold special temperance services in our churches, and that our brethren talk, vote and preach temperance more.

Believing the moderate drinker to be one of the greatest foes of temperance, we raise the question if our Churches should not, for the sake of the Master's kingdom, seek out and more carefully deal with such? We ask that every Church having a member, or members, who accepts the position of Town or County Commissioners, for the sake of the cause of Christ, to withhold his vote from every man who applies for license.

We entertain a hope that our next Legislature may define the word "police" in the Watts' law.

Let us all pray for and strive to hasten the glorious day when this blight shall be banished from our fair land.

E. J. HARRELL.

The report was spoken to by M. A. Adams, J. C. Scarborough, A. T. Howell, M. P. Davis, F. D. Winston, and J. T. Williams. The report was adopted. The following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That we request our representatives in the Legislature to use their influence to have the word "Police" in the Ward law defined to mean a uniformed officer employed for all his time on a salary to be paid out of the regular tax and not out of the special tax imposed upon the saloons."

Adjourned with the Benediction by J. A. Speight.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

After devotional exercises conducted by C. W. Scarborough, the Moderator called the Association to order.

The committee appointed to arrange an Order of Business reported as follows:

REPORT ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

First Day.

11:00 A. M.—Introductory Sermon.

12:00 M. —Enroll delegates. Appoint Committees Credentials.

12:30 P. M.—Recess.

2:00 P. M.—Report of Committee on Credentials; Organize; Read Constitution; call names of Churches that failed to represent themselves at last session; receive new Churches; invite visitors; appoint committees.

3:00 P. M.—Report on Foreign Missions.

3:45 P. M.—Report on Periodicals.

4:00 P. M.—Assignment of homes.

Adjournment.

Second Day.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.

9:45 A. M.—Routine Business.

10:00 A. M.—Report on C. B. F. Institute.

11:00 A. M.—Report on Education.

11:30 A. M.—Report on State Missions.

12:30 P. M.—Recess.

2:00 P. M.—Routine Business.

2:10 P. M.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.

2:30 P. M.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.

3:30 P. M.—Report on Temperance.

4:00 P. M.—Adjournment.

Third Day.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.

9:45 A. M.—Routine Business.

10:00 A. M.—Report on Home Missions.

10:45 A. M.—Report on Church Statistics.

11:00 A. M.—Report of Committees.

Miscellaneous Business. Adjournment.

J. C. SCARBOROUGH,

J. S. MITCHELL,

R. P. THOMAS,

Committee.

The report was adopted.

On motion, the Association agreed to pay off a pledge made by W. P. Taylor to help remove the debt on Manteo church, of which T. G. Wood is pastor.

W. H. Davis, of the Wilmington Association was welcomed to a seat in the Association.

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

Our wise forefathers organized Chowan Baptist Female Institute fifty-eight years ago, only twelve years after the corner stone of the first educational institution for women in America was laid.

From the foundation, until the present time, it has been one of the most

powerful influences in building up and refining Christian womanhood in Eastern North Carolina. It is one of the few schools of the South that did not close its doors during the Civil War.

The fifty-ninth session of our dear old Institute opened Sept. 12, 1906. The enrollment to this date is ninety-six boarding pupils and twenty-six day pupils, making a total of one hundred and twenty-two. There are twelve teachers in charge of the classes in the Institute, two men and ten women, all of whom are well equipped for the work committed to their hands. The Institute has proved not only its right to live but an actual necessity for it to live.

The President is an educator of large experience, a man of strong intellect, big hearted and noble impulses, and begun his work for the Institute in September, 1897, during which session, the enrollment was only twenty-eight boarding pupils and four day pupils, a total of thirty-two. He lacks now only six pupils of having four times as many as he had for the entire session of 1897-'98.

The increased patronage made it necessary for the Trustees to furnish more room, therefore they asked this Association and the Chowan Association what they must do, and for two years both Associations instructed the Trustees to do what, in their judgment, they thought wise and they would endorse their action, whereupon, the Trustees have had erected and completed a new four-story building and equipped it with modern heating apparatus which does its work well. The school has also been equipped with a laboratory and new scientific apparatus. The furnaces in the old building having been worn out and rendered unsafe had to be taken out and new ones put in. The result of all these improvements has incurred a debt of about eleven thousand dollars. The duty and task before us now is to pay this debt and enable the Institute to continue to open its doors to the young women of Eastern North Carolina for their education and equipment for better service to our homes, our schools and our churches, and may we not hope for better service in the Heavenly temple of an All-wise Jehovah.

God calls us to our best efforts for this all important work. "Shall we provide for the proper education of our women?"

R. P. THOMAS,
D. N. STEVENSON.

Committee.

The report was discussed by R. P. Thomas, J. C. Scarborough, W. P. Shaw, W. P. Taylor, and C. W. Mitchell, and was adopted.

According to a special order, State and Foreign Missions will be reported at the same time this afternoon.

Adjourned. Benediction by W. H. Davis.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met and was led in prayer by B. Leggett.

L. M. Curtis was elected a member of the State Mission Board.

According to the special order, the reports on State and Foreign Missions were presented and discussed at the same time.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

State, Home and Foreign Missions are only convenient divisions of one great work. Of the Angel reapers Jesus said "The field is the world," and the field of the sown should be co-extensive with that of the reaper. Our Lord's command to His disciples was "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Thus it is written * * * * That repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning

at Jerusalem. If the completion of Christian endeavor be conceived of as a circle, State Missions will be the centre and Foreign Missions will be the circumference. Sight radiates from a center. The disciples should begin at Jerusalem; hence State Missions is the basis of all Missionary enterprise. Let our motto be, "North Carolina for Christ," as a means to world-wide evangelization as the end. We cannot exaggerate the importance of thoroughly evangelizing and indoctrinating our own State in order to make it a world—proven for Christ.

Needs of the Board.

1. The Board needs new strong men. The present scarcity of ministers will be felt more keenly by the Board than by our stronger churches. The tendency is to draw the stronger men to the stronger fields, leaving the weaker fields to be manned by the weaker men. Now the mission fields should be supplied by strong men who can develop the Churches and command the respect of their entire communities.

2. For the increase of strong men there is imperative need of more money. The thirty-five thousand dollars asked for by the Board is all too little. Fifty thousand would be a modest sum to ask for a work of such tremendous importance.

During the year 1905 the Board employed one hundred and forty missionaries who baptized one thousand four hundred and sixty converts—about one seventh of all the baptisms reported to our Association. The Board received during the same year thirty thousand dollars. They ask for the present year \$35,000, much of which remains to be paid between now and the Convention.

Let this great Association rise in her might and join with our sister Association in one mighty effort to take North Carolina for Christ.

Respectfully,

R. L. GAY, for Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

There is every reason why the Baptists should advance in their gifts to Foreign Missions this year. First, because we are doing so little when compared with our wealth and numbers.

Second, because our opportunity is greater than ever before.

Third, because God has so greatly blessed the little we have done.

Fourth, because the needs seem greater than ever before. The world for Christ should ever be before our eyes. Our work in Foreign lands now require about one thousand dollars per day, but what is that divided among so many? Nearly two million Baptists with their recent growth in wealth. Let us not do less for the cause in the home-land, but for Jesus sake, let us do more for the poor heathen.

Southern Baptists give on an average a little over seventeen cents per member to Foreign Missions. Is it not a shame on us. We could give one dollar; if we had faith as we should have in the Master's words, we would not stop at one dollar per member.

The Board has now under appointment about 490 workers, 190 missionaries and 300 native workers. These reported 2,446 converts baptized last year. Great revivals are reported from some of the fields, the results not being fully known to us yet. Great changes are taking place in foreign lands. Temples are being turned into schools, idols are being burnt, Christian ideas are being introduced as God's messengers press on with the gospel. Our needs are great in the way of training the native preachers, in building better homes for our Missionaries and better places for worship. Southern Baptists last year gave three hundred and twenty-four thousand dollars to this work and we believe we ought to give not less than half a

million this year. We also believe our Association will do her part. Let's work and pray and preach and give till all these needs shall be supplied.

D. CALE, for Committee.

On these reports, remarks were made by D. Cale after which W. L. Poteat, president of Wake Forest College, addressed the Association on Missions. At this point, a letter from T. C. Britton, Missionary to China, was read by C. W. Scarborough. It was ordered that this letter be printed in the West Chowan Baptist Messenger. Pledges for State and Foreign Missions were taken, which appear on another page. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Our Orphanage is the fulfillment to us of the Psalmist's song, "There shall be a handful of corn upon the top of the mountains, the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon." Beginning in 1884 with nothing but faith in God and a Christ-like sympathy for the poor, helpless children of our dead brethren and sisters, we have gone on under the favor of God until to-day we have the best equipped and most useful orphanage in all the land. There is no branch of beneficent or Christian work among North Carolina Baptists which has elicited more interest throughout the State than the Orphanage work at Thomasville. Bro. J. H. Mills, who well deserves the title he has won, "the founder of orphan work in North Carolina," was the first general manager. Much of the success of the institution is due to him. Elder J. B. Boone succeeded Bro. Mills. He also gave the Orphanage ten years of faithful and efficient work. Under his administration the buildings were all enlarged and improved, save one which is now being rebuilt. In addition to this, a number of new and handsome houses were erected during Bro. Boone's administration, including the central school building and the great dining hall, where 330 odd children take their meals. A well of fine water 876 feet deep, through grey granite, was also dug, and a splendid system of water works established. The ten years of Bro. Boone's management will tell mightily on the future of the Orphanage with which his name will be linked forever.

In the year 1905 Bro. Boone retired and Elder M. L. Kesler was called from the pastorate to become General Manager. He is now addressing himself particularly to the task of improving the general efficiency of the Orphanage work. The grounds have already been greatly improved in appearance and the number of boys in the different industrial departments has been largely increased. A good laundry has been established which is a very necessary and helpful feature. A splendid new dormitory is being built, the money for this having been furnished by Bro. E. F. Aydlette, of Elizabeth City. The Watson building has also been rebuilt, the larger part of the money has been furnished by the daughter of the late John Watson, Mrs. G. W. Purefoy, of Asheville. We heartily commend the present management and the good work being done to our churches and Sunday schools. To-day the blessings of God are abiding on the institution as never before. The institution was never in a better condition. We have 330 odd children. They are all well and happy. Hundreds have gone out and many are filling good and honorable positions in life.

The only shadow on the institution to-day is a debt of \$6,000. May we not ask generous friends to lift the shadow and clear the sky?

Your committee in view of the great needs of the Orphanage and the needs of hundreds of other children in our beloved State that ought to be there to be fed, clothed and sheltered and prepared for citizenship here on earth and in Heaven, would urge upon our people more generous and systematic contributions. We would humbly beg every pastor and Sunday school

superintendent to endeavor to induce every Sunday school in our bounds to take a monthly collection for current expenses.

This was the original idea of daily support. We have always believed that the idea was wise and feasible. We have no endowment for this need. We would rather have the means fresh from the warm hearts and friendly hands than a cold interest on money investment. There is more heart in it.

Our claim upon your kindness is the children's daily need. God never sent a little child into the world that was able to pay for all the food and care it needed. Talk of what it costs to feed, clothe, house and educate them. Talk of the responsibility they bring. Fill up the page of expenditures, but do not forget to fill in the credit side with generous love, patient devotion, sweet unselfishness, and noble endurance. Enter all these receipts, and we will find that we are debtors to these little ones for more than we can count. They are worth more to us than they cost.

Nearly 400 Sunday schools are setting apart one Sunday in each month as Orphanage day, and taking a collection for the institution. This has proved a rich blessing to the Orphanage but a greater blessing to the schools. If a thousand of our Sunday schools would adopt this plan and push it the Orphanage treasury would always be full and need never owe a dollar.

The per capita cost of maintaining a child is a little more than six dollars per month; and this includes not only food, clothes, books and other necessary expenses, but the salaries of all the employees and other expenses that enter into the conduct of the institution.

1. Your committee would recommend that each pastor and Sunday school Superintendent endeavor to put "Charity and Children", the best paper of the kind on earth, into every Baptist home.

2. That each Church meet some time in November next, either on Thanksgiving Day or on Sunday and take a collection to pay off the present indebtedness of the Orphanage.

3. Realizing that the greatest need at the Orphanage at present is an infirmary, one that would be ample for all time to come. We pray that some steps may be taken to secure it.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee,
A. T. HOWELL,
C. L. L. COBB.

On this report, the Association was addressed by M. L. Kesler, General Manager of the Orphanage. The report was adopted. A cash collection was taken for the Orphanage amounting to \$12.15.

The Committee on Time and Place for the next session reported as follows:

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE.

We, the Committee on Time and Place and Preacher, recommend that the next Association meet with Christian Harbor Church, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1907. R. L. Gay to preach the sermon, J. R. Taylor, alternate.

F. P. BRITT,
J. H. EVANS,
M. P. DAVIS,

Committee.

Adjourned with Benediction by C. W. Scarborough.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

On motion, R. P. Thomas, S. B. Barnes and M. P. Davis were appointed as delegates to the Baptist State Convention; R. L. Gay to the Southern Baptist Convention.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

If the importance of this Board and its work be judged by the interest taken therein by this Association, then it might be well to discontinue it altogether. It is doing a work which would not be done without it. We call it a work of Charity; but in reality its work is simple justice—and justice so tardy that some of those to whom we owe this debt, pass over the river 'ere the pittance we eke out to them reaches them. This Board has for its object the aiding of dependent ministers and widows, of such, in the time of their greatest need. And these ones become such through no fault of their own. These are they who have wrought early and late; wrought without sufficient remuneration; wrought that we might have an easier time in serving the Lord. To withhold from these needy ones the few dollars required to make their closing days free from worry is not showing much appreciation of their labor and sacrifice.

The Board expends about \$1500 per year in this work. It assits about 25 persons each year, so that you see the average is not more than \$60.00 per year to each one of those assisted. Surely no one can complain at this as being extravagant.

To show how far we are falling short of our duty in this work we need only to state that there were 33 of our churches last year which did not contribute a penny to this Board. Brethren, let's do better in the future.

W. L. BRITT.

Remarks on this report were made by W. L. Britt, J. A. Speight, T. T. Speight, and L. M. Curtis, and was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The work of Baptist people is and has ever been to develop all of their people in all directions. To this end they have established schools for the development of their boys and girls under the best Christian influence. Your Committee will content itself by submitting a statement of the Presidents of each of the schools in North Carolina, claiming Baptist patronage, or to the religious training afforded by said schools. For if they do not afford distinction and religious training, what do they more than others? These facts your Committee feels that the patrons of our Schools have a right to know. Says President Poteat for Wake Forest:

4. The Bible is taught as a regular study. It is elective for the B. A. degree.

5. There are voluntary Bible Bands, engaged in studying daily a prescribed course in the Scriptures, and there are voluntary Mission Banas or students expecting to enter foreign fields, engaged in the study of mission problems and mission fields."

Says President Scarborough for the C. B. F. I.:

"As to your question about the Bible being taught in the Institute, as a study. Some of the schools would reply yes. I will not say yes, but state the facts. We have 30 minutes each morning—20 minutes of this is devoted to reading and expounding the Scriptures in reference to practical, every day religion and morality in all things pertaining to human conduct—'Moral Philosophy' as taught and enforced by the Bible. This is the plan pursued in my Bible study with the girls and teachers each day. Then in its place and at proper times—and these times come often enough, I read scriptures bearing on our—Baptists'—distinctive doctrines—and teach them straight

and the necessity for them and what they are worth to the world and what they have accomplished and are accomplishing for the world. This is done to, for, and in the presence of all the school including pupils and teachers. There is with the pupils a Missionary Society for encouraging Mission gifts and teaching Missions to the pupils."

Says President Vann for our University for Women:

Bible is taught in the required grades and counts as an elective in our A. B. degree. Students attend daily chapel services, and Sunday school and Church services every Sunday morning. These are required. They conduct among themselves a Y. W. C. A. every Sunday evening, a Woman's Mission Society once a month, six classes for Bible study once a week (which forms no part of the regular college work), and seven classes for mission study. They also have a daily students' prayer-meeting immediately after supper. These last named are voluntary. I felt last year that we had the best religious spirit that I had ever seen in any school.

These facts speak for themselves. Our schools are all full and good work is being done. Wake Forest is in the field for \$150,000 endowment and the C. B. F. I. needs \$12,000 to pay her indebtedness. The Board of Education is doing an excellent work in caring for our Ministerial students. Your Committee makes the following suggestion in regard to our school work:

1. That so far as possible, no one be employed to teach in our schools, save Baptists.

2. That a course of Bible Study and Missions is essential to the highest development, Christian, and should be taught in all of our schools, as a regular study.

3. That so far as possible we will aid in raising the ——— endowment for Wake Forest College.

4. That we most heartily commend the work of our Board of Education at W. F. C. and the caring for our students at the Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. ADAMS.

M. A. Adams spoke to this report after which W. L. Poteat spoke on general education. The report was adopted.

Adjourned with Benediction by M. P. Davis.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association, after devotional exercises conducted by J. R. Taylor, was called to order by Vice-Moderator, J. S. Mitchell.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

We are beginning to take the work of The Home Mission Board more seriously. For one thing we know more about it. Commerce, travel, literature and correspondence with missionaries have opened our eyes to the needs and possibilities of our destitute fields in the South.

Last year, 1905, our State gave to Home Missions \$11,489.89. The State gave in 1904, \$9,065.56, an increase of \$2,424.33. Last year our Association gave \$704.37 to Home Missions. What a shame on us, with 10,496 members, giving less than one cent and a half to support the gospel in our native land.

The Home Board has seen best to put Bro. W. W. Hamilton on the field as general Evangelist and he seems to be fitted for the work: Their plans as to work:

1. To help the weak and needy points.
2. Holding evangelistic conferences.
3. Enlisting pastors in both the Conference and meetings.
4. Promoting concerted meetings.

The way in which they work:

1. Go only where invited, and not to take the initiative only in mission territory.

2. Secure the best men for the work.

3. Insure the right kind of preaching at the best time and best places.

The mountain region, Cuba, and the foreigners who come to our shores must be taken care of spiritually. We believe in Christ's command, "Go preach the gospel to every creature," etc., and let the leaven begin here, and the whole lump will be leavened in God's own time and way.

We recommend the Home Field edited by Rev. J. F. Love. Price 25 cents.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. TAYLOR,
J. R. CROCKER,

Committee.

The report was discussed by J. R. Taylor, W. H. Davis, M. P. Davis, J. A. Speight, C. W. Scarborough, M. A. Adams. Pledges were taken, after which the report was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, The W. & P. Railroad has run a special train each day of the Association for the accommodation of our delegates, and whereas, The people of Windsor, not members of the Baptist Church, have opened their homes and hearts to those attending this Association, and whereas, Rev. W. C. Merritt, pastor of the Methodist Church, has graciously put his church and people at the disposal of this Association, as well as others, and whereas, The Cashie Baptist Church, our hosts, have with these other helps, bountifully and with bountiful courtesy entertained this Association; therefore, be it

Resolved 1. That this Association puts itself on record as being highly appreciative of all these kindnesses.

2. That this Association hereby extends its most hearty thanks to all the parties above mentioned for the bountiful manner in which these kindnesses have been administered.

Respectfully,

W. L. BRITT.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We the undersigned Committee on Finance respectfully make the following report of the funds received by us:

Minute Fund collected	\$ 83.56
Orphanage Fund collected	16.35
Home Mission Fund collected.....	38.00
State Mission Fund collected.....	72.80
Foreign Mission Fund collected.....	75.50
Ministers' Relief Fund collected.....	22.00

\$ 308.21

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. MATTHEWS,
W. T. ASBELL,
J. H. LAWRENCE,

Finance Committee.

Adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the Finance Committee at Hebron Church for the West Chowan Baptist Association on October 26th, 1905, the following amounts:

State Missions	\$ 109.16
Foreign Missions	82.10
Home Missions	44.74
Education	25.62
Orphanage	8.85
Minute Fund	94.87
Sunday School Board.....	5.00
Ministers' Relief Fund	2.13

Amounts received \$ 372.47

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Walters Durham, State Missions.....	\$ 109.16
Paid Walters Durham, Foreign Missions	82.10
Paid Walters Durham, Home Missions	44.74
Paid Walters Durham, Education	25.62
Paid Walters Durham, Sunday Schools	5.00
Paid Walters Durham, Ministers' Relief	2.13
Paid S. H. Averitt, Orphanage.....	8.85
Paid for Minutes	66.00
Paid N. W. Britton, Clerk.....	25.00
Paid N. M. Britton, for stationery and postage.....	2.60

Amount paid out..... \$ 371.20

Balance on hand..... \$ 1.27

C. W. HARRELL,

Treasurer.

Woodland, N. C., Oct. 25, 1906.

Adopted.

The following motion by M. P. Davis was carried: That C. W. Scarborough and L. M. Curtis with the Executive Committee of this Association be a committee to canvass the mission points of this Association and ask of the State Mission Board the amount needed to supply preaching to these points.

It was ordered that all churches not paying anything to the Minute Fund be furnished six minutes each.

Adjourned with prayer by M. L. Kesler.

C. W. MITCHELL, Moderator.

N. W. BRITTON, Clerk.

THE MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the West Chowan Association met in its twelfth session, Oct. 31, 1906, about two o'clock in the Methodist Church of Windsor, N. C.

Before the meeting was called to order, Rev. W. L. Britt conducted the devotional exercises, and Rev. W. C. Merritt of the Methodist Church led in prayer. In the absence of the Vice-President, the meeting was called to order by Mrs. W. L. Britt. Miss Willie Rice was elected Secretary pro tem.

Quite a number of Societies and Sunbeam Bands failed to send reports; none of the Societies would pledge anything for next year, but all delegates, said they thought the Societies would do all they could. We hope that not one of the Societies will be satisfied to fall below this year's figures. Let our watchword be, "Go forward."

The Vice-President's report was read, containing the statement of some advance in the Woman's Work of this Association.

Mrs. Kate Griffin, the Vice-President of this Association tendered her resignation as Vice-President. Her resignation was accepted, and Mrs. John Vann, of Winton, was elected in her place. The meeting was then closed by prayer by Mrs. W. L. Britt.

MRS. W. L. BRITT, President pro tem.

MISS WILLIE RICE, Secretary pro tem.

Later—A meeting was called at night, having received notice that Mrs. Vann could not serve as Vice-President, Miss May Tayloe was elected in her stead.

MRS. W. L. BRITT, Pres. pro tem.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

This body met in its 24th session with the Cashie Baptist Church, located in the thriving town of Windsor. It was here that the first session of the Association was held after the division. The separation took place at Harrellsville in 1883; the men who have presided over this Association from its organization to the present time are W. W. Mitchell, R. P. Thomas, J. C. Scarborough and C. W. Mitchell, an average of six years each. The Chowan Association was organized in 1805 and was composed of the last of the Roanoke River. A Missionary Conference was held in Windsor during 1805. Martin Ross preached the Introductory sermon. It was a missionary sermon of force and power and since that time missions has been the key note of all our work. At the separation the Kehukee Association numbered 1736—the Chowan 1839. Thirty-five years later the Kehukee numbered 1500, the Chowan 6,000. The Association has held seven sessions at Windsor, as follows: The Chowan, 1807, 1819, 1831, 1855 and 1875. The West Chowan 1883 and 1906. There are now 51 Churches in the West Chowan with over 11,000 members and ministry well equipped and doing a glorious work for our Master. The spirit of soul winning and mission is deepening and a deeper consecration of our substance and ourselves is manifest at all points.

During the year Rev. Jesse McCarter resigned his work and entered the Seminary at Louisville. The house of worship on Roanoke Island, to which our people have so generously contributed, was completed and dedicated. The church at Lawrence was organized and received into West Chowan. A number of churches report no pastor and one—the Winton church—has not had any pastor during the past year. One preacher among us has passed over the river, that beloved disciple, Dr. John Mitchell; no other death of our leading forces has been reported to the writer. Any omission from the report is not his fault. The C. B. F. I. is full and the new building is completed and the task of paying for it is now begun. Aulander has greatly improved her church building during the present year. Chowan and Rich Square have both built a parsonage and Conway a house of worship. The present session was hardly an average one either in attendance or inspiration. The order was reversed and organization preceded the sermon and then the routine work proceeded along the regular lines.

Bro. M. L. Kesler, General Manager of our Asylum, was present and made a good speech for the Orphanage. President William L. Poteat, of Wake Forest College, delivered an address on Wednesday night of our Association of great force and power. A Temperance Mass Meeting was held on Tuesday night, participated in by various brethren. The Windsor people threw wide their doors and entertained the Association in a good and hospitable style. The former officers were re-elected, save the historian. The next session goes to Christian Harbour; R. L. Gay to preach the Introductory sermon. The time remains the same, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October. We adjourned with Vice-Moderator, J. S. Mitchell, in the chair. Prayer by Rev. M. L. Kesler.

M. A. ADAMS, Historian.

PLEDGES FOR 1907.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.
Ahoskie	\$ 45.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Aulander	50.00	50.00	50.00	20.00
Bethlehem	45.00	50.00	21.00	21.00
Bethany	18.00	18.00	12.00	5.00
Brantley's Grove	22.50	22.00	18.00	3.00
Buckhorn	100.00	60.00	30.00	25.00
Capehart's	35.00	45.00	20.00	6.00
Cashie	100.00	65.00	25.00	20.00
Center Grove	27.00	37.00	18.00	8.00
Chowan	65.00	75.00	50.00	20.00
Christian Harbor	25.00	20.00	15.00	4.00
Coleraine	45.00	40.00	25.00	12.00
Connaritsa	27.50	27.50	22.00	10.00
Creeksville	16.50	16.50	5.00	3.00
Conway	30.00	25.00	12.00	8.00
Elam	32.50	22.50	12.50	7.50
Galatia	22.00	21.00	16.00	5.00
Green's X Roads	18.00	18.00	12.00	2.00
Harrellsville	35.00	35.00	15.00	5.00
Hebron	25.00	25.00	13.00	6.00
Hillside	4.00	7.00	4.00	2.00
Holly Grove	22.00	18.00	12.00	8.00
Jackson	20.00	25.00	18.00	5.00
Kelford	25.00	25.00	25.00	5.00
Lawrence's X Roads	25.00	25.00	10.00	5.00
Lewiston	35.00	35.00	20.00	10.00
Margarettsville	16.00	16.00	14.00	6.00
Mars Hill	80.00	35.00	35.00	5.00
Meherrin	121.00	30.00	25.00	13.65
Mount Carmel	25.00	25.00	12.00	6.00
Mount Tabor	40.00	35.00	25.00	7.00
Murfreesboro	50.00	50.00	35.00	15.00
Oak Grove	10.00	10.00	9.00	3.00
Pine Forest	12.00	12.00	8.00	7.00
Potocasi	25.00	30.00	20.00	11.00
Pleasant Grove	25.00	25.00	16.00	5.00
Republican	30.00	28.00	15.00	7.00
Rich Square	20.00	30.00	10.00	5.00
Roanoke	8.50	8.00	5.00	2.00
Roquist	6.00	7.00	6.00	2.00
Robert's Chapel	70.00	45.00	25.00	15.00
Ross's	30.00	40.00	15.00	5.00
Sandy Run	30.00	30.00	30.00	10.00
Seaboard	16.00	22.00	13.00	5.00
Siloam	2.50	2.50	3.00	2.00
Severn	35.00	25.00	20.00	8.00
Saint John's	20.00	16.00	10.00	4.00
Union	30.00	45.00	30.00	10.00
Winton	15.00	20.00	15.00	10.00
Woodland	30.00	25.00	20.00	6.00
Lasker	5.00	7.00	5.00	2.00

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Preacher of the Introductory Sermon.	Texts.
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.	R. P. Thomas.	W. C. Parker	D. A. Woodson	Rom. 1:16.
1884	Robert's Chapel, Northampton Co.	do.	do.	J. D. Hufham	Acts 20:24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.	do.	do.	C. W. Scarborough.	Psalms 16:8.
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	do.	do.	C. W. Scarborough.	Heb. 13:1.
1887	Winton, Hertford Co.	do.	do.	B. B. Williams.	Acts 20:35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.	do.	do.	M. L. Green.	Gal. 6:10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do.	do.	T. T. Speight.	Gal. 6:10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.	do.	do.	C. W. Scarborough.	Rom. 8:1.
1891	Union, Hertford Co.	do.	do.	T. G. Wood.	Habakkuk 2:15.
1892	Mt. Carmel, Northampton Co.	do.	do.	Braxton Craig.	Num. 13:30.
1893	Coleraine, Bertie Co.	do.	do.	L. M. Curtis.	Col. 2:10.
1894	Mt. Tabor, Hertford Co.	do.	do.	A. Cree.	Col. 1:28.
1895	Sandy Run, Bertie Co.	do.	do.	J. B. Boone.	Rom. 15:1, 2, 3.
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co.	do.	do.	R. D. Cross.	Eph. 1:17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	J. C. Scarborough.	do.	— McKaughan.	Acts 5:29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.	do.	do.	W. P. Jordan.	Rom. 5:8; 8:32.
1899	Ahoskie, Hertford Co.	do.	do.	J. A. Spaight.	Joel 3:14, 15, 16.
1900	Potocasi, Northampton Co.	C. W. Mitchell.	N. W. Britton.	R. D. Cross.	Gal. 6:14.
1901	Capehart, Bertie Co.	do.	do.	G. P. Harrill.	Heb. 4:6.
1902	Connartsa, Bertie Co.	do.	do.	D. Cale	2 Cor. 9:6, 7.
1903	Buckhorn, Hertford Co.	do.	do.	L. M. Curtis.	Rev. 3:7 to 11.
1904	Ross, Bertie Co.	do.	do.	A. T. Howell.	Ex. 10:16. [28:19, 20.
1905	Hebron, Northampton Co.	do.	do.	W. L. Britt.	Matt. 3:19; 26:26-28;
1906	Cashie, Bertie Co.	do.	do.	M. A. Adams.	Heb. 13:1.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Location and Date of Constitution.	Received.				Lost.				Membership.		
		Baptisms.	Letters.	Restorations.	Totals.	Letters.	Exclusions.	Deaths.	Totals.	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Ahoskie	Hertford Co., 1804..	8	28	6	42	13	2	3	18	137	219	356
Aulander	Bertie Co., 1886.....	26	19	7	52	9	3	2	14	138	165	303
Bethlehem	Hertford Co., 1835....	3	1	4	12	2	4	18	69	116	185	
Bethany	Bertie Co., 1881.....	2	...	2	6	1	1	8	99	126	225	
Brantley's Grove...	Hertford Co., 1877....	1	...	1	9	2	...	11	74	99	173	
Buckhorn	Hertford Co., 1835....	14	...	5	19	8	...	2	10	118	122	240
Capehart's	Bertie Co., 1824.....	17	5	...	22	7	3	4	14	135	195	330
Cashie	Bertie Co., 1878.....	15	7	2	24	7	1	4	12	112	178	290
Center Grove.....	Bertie Co., 1897.....	21	5	...	26	4	...	4	89	113	202	
Chowan	Hertford Co., 1895....	17	12	...	29	5	...	1	6	65	76	141
Christian Harbor...	Hertford Co., 1881....	13	4	6	23	3	...	1	4	78	75	153
Coleraine	Bertie Co., 1780.....	10	12	1	23	11	2	2	15	137	168	305
Connaritsa	Bertie Co., 1789.....	12	4	7	23	22	5	2	29	150	183	333
Creeksville	Northampton, 1892..	6	6	...	12	16	1	...	17	69	66	135
Conway	Northampton, 1905..	6	18	...	24	...	...	...	...	53	49	102
Elam	Northampton, 1844..	18	1	2	21	4	...	3	7	70	152	322
Galatia	Northampton, 1859..	6	...	3	9	11	2	3	16	135	168	303
Green's X Roads..	Bertie Co., 1874.....	21	5	3	29	3	2	1	6	109	110	219
Harrellsville	Hertford Co., 1875....	8	11	5	24	10	8	2	20	77	83	160
Hebron	Northampton, 1856..	8	...	3	11	13	2	3	18	113	150	263
Hillside	Bertie Co., 1885.....	1	4	3	8	1	...	...	1	37	37	74
Holly Grove	Bertie Co., 1804.....	6	5	...	11	9	...	2	11	74	86	160
Jackson	Northampton, 1882..	...	3	...	3	2	...	2	4	38	49	87
Kelford	Bertie Co., 1898.....	1	2	...	3	7	1	...	8	35	54	89
Laurence's X Roads	Bertie Co., 1874.....	12	5	...	17	3	2	3	8	122	119	241
Lewiston	Bertie Co., 1883.....	8	18	3	29	1	5	1	7	93	108	201
Lasker	Northampton, 1906..	14	53	...	67	...	...	...	...	30	37	67
Margarettsville ...	Northampton, 1889..	8	...	1	9	5	1	...	6	23	27	50
Mars Hill	Bertie Co., 1854.....	16	15	1	32	8	7	4	19	206	218	424
Meherrin	Hertford Co., 1729....	12	15	3	30	14	1	...	15	185	208	393
Mt. Carmel	Northampton, 1826..	5	6	1	12	6	1	3	10	90	121	211
Mt. Tabor	Hertford Co., 1839....	19	8	3	30	14	6	2	22	122	168	290
Murfreesboro	Hertford Co., 1843....	5	3	...	8	7	...	1	8	40	74	114
Oak Grove	Hertford Co., 1894....	...	4	3	7	2	3	1	6	51	69	120
Pine Forest	Northampton, 1888..	11	2	...	13	1	4	1	6	23	41	64
Potocasi	Northampton, 1808..	6	5	7	18	26	2	4	32	148	168	316
Pleasant Grove ...	Hertford Co., 1837....	18	3	3	24	13	4	1	18	107	180	287
Republican	Bertie Co., 1803.....	...	...	...	...	10	8	2	20	158	226	384
Rich Square	Northampton, 1854..	4	5	3	12	3	1	5	9	85	108	193
Roanoke	Northampton, 1885..	1	7	2	10	22	...	1	23	33	52	85
Roquist	Bertie Co., 1878.....	...	...	2	2	4	...	3	7	31	36	67
Robert's Chapel ...	Northampton, 1848..	13	7	2	22	24	6	6	36	112	199	311
Ross's	Bertie Co., 1804.....	...	3	3	6	3	9	6	18	296	434	730
Sandy Run	Bertie Co., 1750.....	15	8	2	25	4	1	3	8	131	194	325
Seaboard	Northampton, 1889..	5	1	...	6	5	5	...	10	55	73	128
Siloam	...	9	13	2	24	...	...	2	2	51	55	106
Severn	Northampton, 1896..	8	2	...	10	8	1	1	10	90	72	162
St. John's	Hertford Co., 1883....	19	2	1	22	5	2	2	9	70	84	154
Union	Hertford Co., 1885....	5	10	6	21	6	2	3	11	84	87	181
Winton	Hertford Co., 1873....	1	1	1	3	11	3	...	14	81	110	191
Woodland	Northampton, 1902..	9	22	1	32	1	...	1	2	89	76	165
		461	373	104	940	398	111	99	508	4817	6123	10940

CHURCH STATISTICS—Continued.

CHURCHES.	Pastors and Postoffices.	Clerks and Postoffices.	Sabbaths of Preaching.	Value Church Property
Ahoskie	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.....	Robert Holloman, Ahoskie...	2-4	\$ 262
Aulander	W. L. Britt, Aulander.....	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander....	1-2	350
Bethlehem	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.....	A. B. Adkins, Bethlehem....	1-3	275
Bethany	S. B. Barnes, Branning.....	W. W. Perry, Coleraine.....	1	150
Brantley's Grove...	S. B. Barnes, Branning.....	W. E. Perry, Cofield.....	3	50
Buckhorn	C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesb'o	S. P. Winborn, Como.....	2-4	250
Capehart's	T. T. Speight, Windsor.....	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill.....	1	100
Cashie	R. L. Gay, Windsor.....	W. R. Cobb, Windsor.....	1-3	200
Center Grove.....	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie.....	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.....	2	100
Chowan	M. A. Adams, Winton.....	Thos. D. Brown, Winton.....	1-3	.....
Christian Harbor...	M. P. Davis, Coleraine.....	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville...	2	200
Coleraine	M. P. Davis, Coleraine.....	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine....	3	150
Connaritsa	T. T. Speight, Windsor.....	A. J. Dunning, Aulander....	3	200
Creeksville	D. Cale, Potecasi	W. H. Davis, Creeksville....	4	.....
Conway	Jesse McCarter, Severn.....	J. F. Martin, Conway.....	4	.....
Elam	J. R. Taylor, Jackson.....	J. R. Stephenson, Garysburg.	2	100
Galatia	D. Cale, Potecasi	W. C. Smith, Seaboard.....	3	150
Green's X Roads..	C. E. Edwards, Windsor.....	W. J. Mizelle, Windsor.....	3	60
Harrellsville	M. P. Davis, Coleraine.....	D. Taylor, Harrellsville....	1-2	120
Hebron	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.....	J. K. Revel, Conway.....	3	130
Hillside	C. E. Edwards, Windsor.....	W. G. Gurkin, Quitsna.....	4	60
Holly Grove	C. E. Edwards, Windsor.....	J. H. Bowen, Askewville....	1	100
Jackson	J. R. Taylor, Jackson.....	Edwin Wright, Jackson....	1	250
Kelford	T. T. Speight, Windsor.....	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford.....	2	200
Laurence's X Roads	S. B. Barnes, Branning.....	J. R. Phelps, Merry Hill....	4	150
Lewiston	R. L. Gay, Windsor.....	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston.....	.....	.....
Lasker	S. B. Barnes, Branning.....	R. C. Lassiter, Lasker.....	.....	.....
Margarettsville ...	Jesse McCarter, Severn.....	S. T. Stancell, Margarettsville	2	100
Mars Hill	M. P. Davis, Coleraine.....	B. W. Lee, Coleraine.....	3-4	300
Meherrin	Jesse McCarter, Severn.....	O. Parker, Murfreesboro....	1	150
Mt. Carmel	J. R. Taylor, Jackson.....	J. G. Joyner, Seaboard.....	4	100
Mt. Tabor	A. T. Howell, Murfreesboro...	D. L. Parker, Mapleton....	1-3	250
Murfreesboro	A. T. Howell, Murfreesboro...	W. B. Spencer, Murfreesboro.	1-2-3-4	200
Oak Grove	W. L. Britt, Aulander.....	S. E. Marsh, Aulander.....	3	100
Pine Forest	Jesse McCarter, Severn.....	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg	3	80
Potecasi	D. Cale, Potecasi	E. B. Lassiter, Potecasi....	2	.....
Pleasant Grove ...	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.....	C. C. Tyler, Annetta.....	4	.....
Republican	W. L. Britt, Aulander.....	W. S. Pritchard, Windsor....	4	.....
Rich Square	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.....	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square...	2	120
Roanoke	S. B. Barnes, Branning.....	J. T. Howell, Lasker.....	2	150
Roquist	C. E. Edwards, Windsor.....	J. M. Yates, Windsor.....	2	50
Robert's Chapel ...	C. W. Scarborough, Murfreesb'o	J. W. Martin, Conway.....	1-3	200
Ross's	T. T. Speight, Windsor.....	J. T. Hoggard, Windsor....	4	300
Sandy Run	R. L. Gay, Windsor.....	G. H. Barnes, Roxobel.....	4	200
Seaboard	J. R. Taylor, Jackson.....	J. S. Gay, Margarettsville...	3	100
Siloam	B. Leggett, Windsor.....	Lee Bond, Windsor.....	2	200
Severn	Jesse McCarter, Severn.....	W. H. Howell, Severn.....	4	200
St. John's	D. Cale, Potecasi	S. E. Vaughan, Ahoskie....	1	120
Union	M. A. Adams, Winton.....	John Freeman, Union.....	2-4	250
Winton .....	.....	E. H. Dew, Cofield.....	.....	.....
Woodland	E. J. Harrell, Woodland.....	Lewter McDaniel, Woodland.	1	160

CHURCH EXPENSES.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Repairs to Buildings and Grounds.	Poor Fund.	Minute Fund.	Sunday School.	W. M. Society.	Total Expenses in All De- partments.
Ahoskie	\$ 350.00	\$ 66.96	\$ 125.00	.....	\$ 3.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 31.13	\$ 536.09
Aulander	400.00	88.00	10.45	20.22	2.00	24.94	125.00	670.61
Bethlehem	300.00	26.98	119.94	10.50	2.00	9.23	.....	468.65
Bethany	150.00	12.00	18.17	5.03	2.25	.....	.....	187.45
Brantley's Grove....	125.00	.....	.....	34.08	2.25	.....	.....	161.33
Buckhorn	400.00	37.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	439.00
Capehart's	175.00	18.50	1.05	28.53	3.00	7.00	.....	233.28
Cashie	400.00	25.00	5.00	.....	2.50	30.00	.....	462.50
Center Grove	160.00	23.00	48.00	6.00	2.55	8.00	.....	247.55
Chowan	400.00	50.60	1250.00	10.15	2.00	60.73	.....	1773.48
Christian Harbor ...	162.00	14.80	3.00	26.15	1.55	24.29	.....	231.29
Coleraine	212.00	51.95	2.45	20.75	2.60	8.85	.....	298.60
Connaritsa	200.00	62.41	74.79	31.84	2.50	7.78	3.70	383.02
Creeksville	100.00	15.00	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	116.00
Conway	125.00	1.75	953.70	.....	.60	18.00	.....	1099.05
Elam	200.00	25.00	5.00	.....	1.50	7.10	.....	238.60
Galatia	150.00	22.00	.....	91.33	1.66	5.00	.....	269.99
Green's X Roads....	125.00	1.75	2.40	.....	1.50	.....	12.31	142.96
Harrellsville	212.00	35.30	25.25	8.50	2.00	13.82	.....	306.87
Hebron	150.00	40.05	.....	3.00	2.00	6.00	.....	201.05
Hillside	50.00	6.71	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	57.71
Holly Grove	125.00	15.00	.....	.....	2.00	7.76	.....	149.76
Jackson	150.00	50.00	.....	.....	1.00	30.00	.....	231.00
Kelford	150.00	36.00	175.00	.....	1.50	.40	.....	364.90
Lawrence's X Roads	150.00	18.00	6.62	21.37	1.60	12.65	.....	210.24
Lewiston	200.00	25.00	110.00	15.00	2.50	44.23	.....	396.73
Lasker	75.00	5.43	.....	.....	1.00	4.65	.....	86.08
Margarettsville	100.00	20.00	.....	.....	1.25	2.40	.....	123.65
Mars Hill	212.00	61.85	.....	.....	2.50	13.24	.....	289.59
Meherrin	200.00	47.00	.....	8.70	2.50	45.65	.....	303.85
Mt. Carmel	175.00	18.00	125.50	3.40	1.50	21.32	.....	344.72
Mt. Tabor	350.00	60.80	527.48	.....	2.00	29.36	.....	969.64
Murfreesboro	400.00	80.29	109.74	.....	2.00	34.05	.....	626.08
Oak Grove	100.00	46.28	72.36	3.91	1.00	23.59	34.26	288.50
Pine Forest	100.00	.....	.....	.....	.75	.....	.....	100.75
Potecasi	150.00	42.56	.....	55.50	2.00	5.00	.....	255.06
Pleasant Grove	200.00	27.00	.....	5.45	2.00	4.50	.....	238.95
Republican	200.00	.....	.....	16.84	3.00	22.34	.....	242.18
Rich Square	175.00	20.00	33.38	30.00	2.00	100.00	.....	360.38
Roanoke	100.00	10.00	.....	.....	1.00	10.81	.....	111.81
Roquist	75.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75.00
Robert's Chapel	350.00	50.50	.....	67.20	3.00	20.90	.....	541.10
Ross's	200.00	23.50	.....	55.96	3.00	8.29	.....	290.75
Sandy Run	200.00	15.00	.....	8.37	2.00	11.86	.....	237.23
Seaboard	150.00	55.00	1.00	.....	1.00	12.00	.....	219.00
Siloam	50.00	1.05	48.58	5.58	1.00	2.43	.....	122.64
Severn	150.00	35.09	143.05	.....	2.50	38.48	.....	369.12
St. John's	100.00	14.50	2.50	.....	1.00	36.03	.....	154.03
Union	300.00	54.10	14.00	1.81	2.50	76.05	.....	448.36
Winton	85.00	36.00	.....	.....	2.00	22.00	.....	145.00
Woodland	150.00	70.79	.....	9.20	2.00	.....	.....	231.99
	9728.00	1563.00	4313.41	604.07	93.26	930.71	206.40	17139.35

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Totals.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Av'g Attendance.	Superintendents and P. O.
Ahoskie	10	140	150	....	....	12	88	W. H. Miller, Ahoskie.
Aulander	10	140	150	75	150	12	110	C. J. Joyner, Aulander.
Bethlehem	14	84	98	217	145	9	50	W. R. Thomas, Cofield.
Bethany	9	84	93	....	40	8	50	J. R. Byrum, Coleraine.
Brantley's Grove...	11	101	112	45	145	9	68	W. J. Cowan, Cofield.
Buckhorn	9	77	86	....	90	12	69	R. A. Majette, Como.
Capehart's	6	85	91	50	75	8	58	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill.
Cashie	12	140	152	....	150	12	80	T. Gillam, Windsor.
Center Grove.....	10	101	111	....	120	9	55	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.
Chowan	8	80	88	....	50	12	65	John E. Vann, Winton.
Christian Harbor...	9	93	102	....	118	12	61	J. W. Holloman, Harrellsville.
Coleraine	11	100	111	....	112	12	65	D. R. Britton, Coleraine.
Connaritsa	11	78	89	50	120	6	52	J. P. Slade, Aulander.
Creeksville	15	100	115	....	80	12	75	Edwin Lassiter, Creeksville.
Conway	8	60	68	....	114	6	60	R. T. White, Conway.
Elam	7	33	40	....	505	12	30	C. L. Stephenson, Gumberry.
Galatia	10	100	110	10	106	9	61	J. W. Rose, Margarettsville.
Green's X Roads..	9	107	116	....	288	9	75	J. W. Sanderlin, Windsor.
Harrellsville	9	67	76	....	100	12	44	D. Taylor, Harrellsville.
Hebron	8	59	67	60	80	12	37	G. M. Holloman, Woodland.
Hillside	9	58	67	....	75	9	25	J. R. Saunders, Quitsna.
Holly Grove	7	74	81	....	90	9	46	J. H. Bowen, Askewville.
Jackson	12	38	50	50	95	12	40	R. W. Fleetwood, Jackson.
Kelford	10	95	105	25	130	12	60	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford.
Laurence's X Roads	9	96	105	50	35	8	55	J. R. Phelps, Merry Hill.
Lewiston	9	115	124	50	49	12	80	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston.
Lasker	7	123	130	....	....	12	75	C. E. Davis, Lasker.
Margarettsville ...	5	23	28	38	55	12	15	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville.
Mars Hill	14	155	169	....	166	9	100	Josiah Brown, Coleraine.
Meherrin	13	65	78	30	130	12	50	J. K. Parker, Murfreesboro.
Mt. Carmel	11	96	107	79	107	12	65	J. T. Long, Jackson.
Mt. Tabor	15	106	121	....	545	12	89	J. W. Boone, Winton.
Murfreesboro	21	130	151	100	200	12	90	H. V. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.
Oak Grove	9	75	84	....	75	12	40	A. E. Saunders, Aulander.
Pine Forest	5	20	25	....	....	10	20	W. T. Carstarphen, Garysburg.
Potecasi	14	103	117	....	....	12	85	E. B. Lassiter, Potecasi.
Pleasant Grove	8	54	62	50	78	6	38	Magnus Joyner, Woodland.
Republican	11	95	106	50	105	9	60	G. W. White, Aulander.
Rich Square	8	....	....	....	112	12	....	J. P. Holloman, Rich Square.
Roanoke	6	64	70	....	308	12	45	E. J. Grant, Lasker.
Roquist .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Robert's Chapel ...	12	80	92	219	240	12	80	B. F. Martin, Conway.
Ross's	7	61	68	....	....	7	30	Worley Coward, Windsor.
Sandy Run	12	118	120	200	125	12	64	E. L. Bishop, Roxobel.
Seaboard	8	60	68	137	80	12	45	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard.
Siloam	9	51	60	....	32	12	30	E. Leggett, Windsor.
Severn	20	96	116	86	558	12	71	J. L. Joyner, Severn.
St. John's	7	62	69	....	480	9	35	R. L. Edwards, Ahoskie.
Union	14	98	112	50	155	12	78	John Freeman, Union.
Winton	8	73	81	....	....	12	50	E. H. Dew, Cofield.
Woodland	9	104	113	33	120	12	75	C. H. Griffin, Woodland.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY STATISTICS AND SUNBEAMS.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONARY SOCIETIES	Members.	SUNBEAMS.
	Presidents and P. O.		Presidents and P. O.
Ahoskie	Mrs. D. L. Myers, Ahoskie.....	36	Mabel Leary, Ahoskie.
Aulander	Mrs. W. L. Britt, Aulander.....	...	Mrs. W. L. Britt, Aulander.
Bethlehem	Mrs. Wm. Barnes, Branning.....	...	
Bethany	Mrs. Julia Greene, Ahoskie.....	110	
Brantley's Grove..	Mrs. R. A. Majette, Como.....	25	Mrs. E. T. Darden, Como.
Buckhorn	Mrs. E. L. Gatling, Windsor...	30	Mrs. R. L. Gay, Windsor.
Capehart's	...	...	
Cashie	Mrs. W. R. Daniel, Winton.....	29	Miss Lillian Taylor, Winton.
Center Grove.....	Sue E. Britt, Harrellsville.....	20	Mamie Miller, Harrellsville.
Chowan	Mrs. M. P. Davis, Coleraine.....	10	Mrs. M. P. Davis, Coleraine.
Christian Harbor..	Lillie Myers, Aulander.....	22	
Coleraine	Bessie M. Davis, Creekville....	70	
Connaritsa	Miss Neta Hedgepeth, Conway...	26	
Creekville	Eunice Stephenson, Garysburg...	36	
Conway	Mrs. D. W. Taylor, Seaboard...	68	
Dam	Martha P. Asbel, Windsor.....	55	
Dalatia	Mrs. J. T. Williams, Harrellsv'le	20	Mamie Miller, Harrellsville.
Green's X Roads..	Mrs. W. L. Johnson, Woodland..	40	
Harrellsville	...	...	
Kelbron	Mrs. Sallie Barnes, Cremona....	33	
Killside	Mrs. S. J. Calvert, Jackson.....	20	Mrs. M. R. Bradley, Jackson.
Kolly Grove	Mrs. M. W. Harrell, Kelford....	9	Miss Mollie Batts Kelford.
Lackson	Caroline E. Britt, Merry Hill...	38	
Kelford	Mrs. W. Mitchell, Lewiston.....	57	
Laurence's X Roads	Ella J. Murphy, Lasker.....	26	
Lewiston	Maud Stancell, Margarettsville..	18	
Lasker	...	...	
Lasker's Hill	Mrs. Thos. Outland, Murfreesb'o	40	Brunice Wise, Murfreesboro.
Leherrin	Bettie McGlauhan, Seaboard....	30	Nellie Pruden, Seaboard.
Le Carmel	Mrs. E. B. Vaughan, Mapleton...	39	
Le Tabor	Mrs. C. W. Scarborough, Murf'bo	23	A. E. Barnacascel, Murfreesboro.
Murfreesboro	...	...	
Oak Grove	...	...	
One Forest	...	...	
Potecasi	Mrs. C. R. Harrell, Potecasi...	96	Paul Parker, Potecasi.
Pleasant Grove ..	...	...	
Republican	...	...	
Rich Square	Mrs. J. H. Carter, Rich Square..	...	Wallace Jones, Rich Square.
Roanoke	Mrs. W. J. Hedgepeth, Rehoboth	22	Alma Holloman, Rehoboth.
Rosquist	...	...	
Robert's Chapel ...	Miss Emma Lee, Pendleton.....	31	Miss Clara Edwards, Pendleton.
Ross's	Grover White, Windsor.....	...	
Randy Run	Eunice T. Watson, Roxobel.....	30	Mrs. M. F. Roby, Roxobel.
Seaboard	Mrs. W. F. Greeber, Seaboard...	30	
Seaboard	...	...	
Severn	Mrs. P. M. Fleetwood, Severn...	16	Eunice Edwards, Severn.
St. John's	Mrs. Lucy A. Britton, Ahoskie..	55	
Union	Emma W. Tayloe, Union.....	27	Donia Lawrence, Union.
Winton	Mrs. Ida Jones, Winton.....	15	Miss Grace Saunders, Winton.
Woodland	Mrs. W. R. Sumner, Woodland..	27	John Lassiter, Woodland.

FINANCIAL TABLE—CHURCHES.

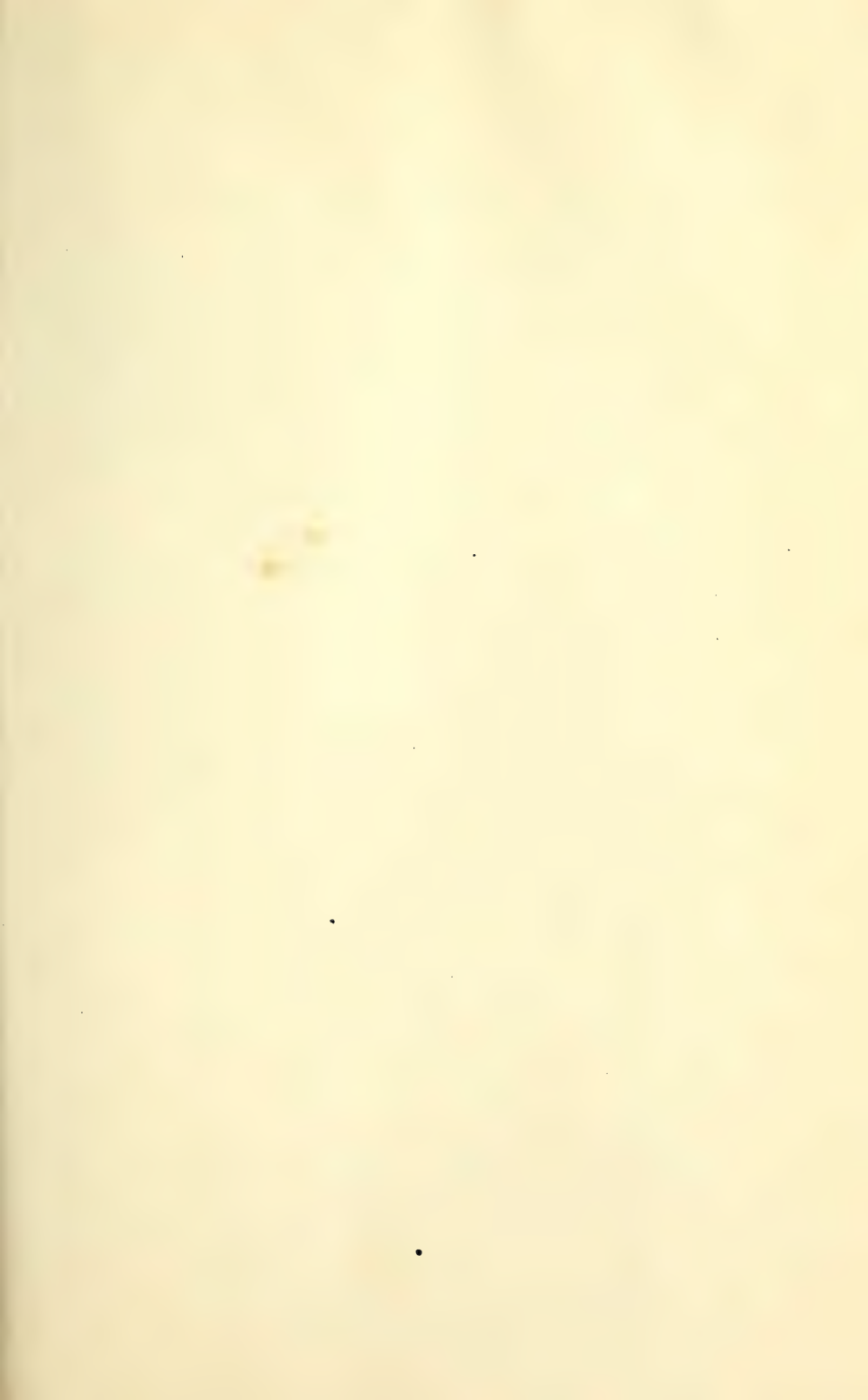
CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$ 70.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 43.00	\$	\$	\$ 23.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 187.00
Aulander	50.00	50.00	50.00	15.00	3.40	20.00	5.50	87.60	281.50
Bethlehem	50.00	21.00	45.00	22.00	125.00	18.00	5.00	53.50	339.50
Bethany	18.00	11.00	18.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	52.00
Brantley's Grove...	20.75	20.25	22.50	.....	.....	3.00	4.00	4.96	75.41
Buckhorn	50.00	25.00	100.00	.....	.....	25.00	.....	45.00	245.00
Capehart's	45.00	18.00	35.00	45.07	.....	6.00	.....	32.20	181.27
Cashie	23.67	8.56	48.01	20.98	.....	20.00	4.00	6.64	129.86
Center Grove.....	37.00	17.00	27.00	.....	.....	8.00	5.00	21.00	115.00
Chowan	51.07	24.06	42.76	175.26	100.00	11.20	8.50	.....	392.85
Christian Harbor...	15.00	18.14	36.74	52.08	.....	4.30	2.00	59.01	172.27
Coleraine	67.28	52.05	78.42	28.75	.....	14.00	4.00	38.35	282.85
Connaritsa	10.00	10.00	10.00	21.12	.....	.....	.....	30.59	81.71
Creeksville	15.00	15.00	15.00	.....	.....	.....	1.50	.....	46.50
Conway	25.00	12.00	30.00	.....	.....	8.00	.....	6.56	81.56
Elam	20.00	11.00	30.00	11.25	1.95	5.00	5.00	.....	84.25
Galatia	21.00	16.00	28.00	16.00	.....	5.00	1.74	21.10	108.84
Green's X Roads..	30.00	11.00	16.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	12.00	40.00
Harrellsville	43.00	21.00	54.00	50.00	.....	7.00	1.00	34.65	210.65
Hebron	25.00	20.00	25.00	57.45	.....	6.00	.....	45.00	178.45
Hillside	7.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	19.00
Holly Grove	17.00	12.00	22.00	17.87	.....	8.00	.....	51.98	128.87
Jackson	25.00	17.00	20.00	5.00	.....	5.00	.....	4.00	76.00
Kelford	15.00	15.00	20.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	55.00
Laurence's X Roads	25.00	10.00	20.00	25.00	.....	4.00	3.20	25.91	113.11
Lewiston	49.80	15.00	27.50	32.35	.....	10.00	.....	11.25	145.95
Lasker	2.50	.....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	3.00	10.99	18.99
Margarettsville ...	13.00	14.00	16.00	12.00	.....	6.00	1.00	38.00	100.00
Mars Hill	36.27	36.14	102.18	113.97	.....	8.00	2.75	11.35	310.66
Meherrin	30.00	25.00	121.00	34.77	24.00	13.65	.....	25.10	273.57
Mt. Carmel	26.60	12.00	25.00	.....	.....	6.00	5.00	.....	74.60
Mt. Tabor	35.00	25.00	40.00	64.32	.....	7.00	.....	12.76	184.00
Murfreesboro	40.00	30.00	50.00	52.25	.....	15.00	5.00	52.55	244.85
Oak Grove	10.00	8.00	9.00	137.72	.....	33.00	2.23	16.73	216.68
Pine Forest	12.00	8.00	12.00	9.52	.....	7.00	.....	.....	48.54
Potecasi	30.00	20.00	25.00	34.17	.....	11.00	3.01	5.00	168.00
Pleasant Grove	25.00	16.00	25.00	35.00	.....	10.00	1.00	51.20	163.20
Republican	28.00	15.00	27.00	15.36	3.89	10.00	4.60	6.40	109.25
Rich Square	25.00	10.00	25.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	65.00
Roanoke	16.00	5.00	10.50	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	17.62	53.12
Roquist	6.00	6.00	6.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	20.00
Robert's Chapel ...	45.00	25.00	70.00	23.24	.....	15.00	.....	115.50	248.74
Ross's	40.00	15.00	30.00	30.10	.....	5.00	.....	8.50	128.60
Sandy Run	30.00	20.00	30.00	.....	.....	10.00	5.20	35.80	131.00
Seaboard	22.00	12.00	16.00	10.00	.....	5.00	3.00	22.75	90.75
Siloam .....	.....	3.00	3.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	5.26	13.26
Severn	25.00	20.00	36.25	46.00	.....	9.50	.....	120.09	256.84
St. John's	16.00	10.00	20.00	.....	.....	4.00	4.00	23.40	77.40
Union	47.80	27.80	35.00	37.00	.....	10.00	6.49	74.16	238.25
Winton	15.00	15.00	20.00	.....	.....	10.00	24.00	.....	84.00
Woodland	20.00	15.00	25.00	21.29	.....	6.00	.....	19.10	106.39
Total.....	1420.34	867.04	1649.36	1174.14	258.24	499.65	127.63	1236.66	7225.36

FINANCIAL TABLE—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$	\$	\$	\$80.00	\$	\$	\$	\$ 5.00	\$ 85.00
Aulander				60.00				5.00	65.00
Bethlehem				32.71					32.71
Bethany									
Brantley's Grove..									
Buckhorn				65.00					65.00
Capehart's				5.00					5.00
Cashie	31.00	6.44	10.89	35.00				10.00	83.33
Center Grove				53.00				4.00	57.00
Chowan				60.00				12.80	72.80
Christian Harbor..									
Coleraine									
Connaritsa									
Creeksville		2.50							2.50
Conway								4.32	4.32
Elam	3.65			19.03				6.83	29.51
Galatia									
Green's X Roads..				5.00	1.00				6.00
Harrellsville									
Hebron	5.00			13.70				2.00	20.70
Hillside									
Holly Grove				19.00					19.00
Jackson				7.50					7.50
Kelford	7.00			40.00				1.85	48.85
Laurence's X Roads				5.00				5.00	10.00
Lewiston	5.00	4.30	5.00	57.11					71.61
Lasker									
Margarettsville ..									
Mars Hill									
Meherrin				10.54				6.16	16.70
Mt. Carmel				19.07				3.30	22.37
Mt. Tabor				72.07					72.07
Murfreesboro	2.54	2.24		17.79				34.29	53.86
Oak Grove									
Pine Forest									
Potecasi								10.00	10.00
Pleasant Grove ..									
Republican	5.00			18.00					23.00
Rich Square									
Roanoke								4.00	4.00
Roquist									
Robert's Chapel ..				66.95				21.38	88.33
Ross's				6.00					6.00
Sandy Run				60.00					60.00
Seaboard				12.00					12.00
Siloam									
Severn				27.21				5.00	32.21
St. John's									
Union				50.00				5.00	55.00
Winton				12.00				10.00	22.00
Woodland				26.03					26.03
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FINANCIAL TABLE—MISSIONARY SOCIETIES AND SUNBEAMS.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.						SUNBEAMS.				
	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Other Objects.	Orphanage.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Total.	Total Benevolences of Churches in a Dep't.
Ahoskie	\$	\$12.50	\$15.74	\$ 7.50	\$20.57	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 7.00	\$63.31	\$ 335.3
Aulander	6.00	16.75	31.40	.....	11.50	.....	.82	2.45	2.22	65.14	411.6
Bethlehem .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	272.2
Bethany .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52.0
Brantley's Grove.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75.4
Buckhorn	7.25	96.15	25.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.25	.....	131.45	441.4
Capehart's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	186.2
Cashie	10.00	10.00	20.00	.....	3.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	43.20	256.3
Center Grove.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	172.0
Chowan	36.05	32.45	41.35	4.20	.....	16.05	3.30	2.35	3.60	135.35	501.0
Christian Harbor.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	172.2
Coleraine .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	282.8
Connaritsa .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	81.7
Creeksville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49.0
Conway	3.84	3.83	3.83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.50	97.3
Elam	7.40	6.65	5.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.15	133.1
Galatia .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	108.8
Green's X Roads.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46.0
Harrellsville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	210.6
Hebron	4.42	.....	5.55	.....	2.15	.....	2.10	.....	2.10	16.22	215.3
Hillside .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.0
Holly Grove.....	6.00	.....	6.85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.85	160.7
Jackson .....	.....	7.65	3.50	.....	.....	.....	3.52	.....	6.90	21.57	105.0
Kelford	2.20	1.75	1.75	.....	1.00	.....	1.50	1.50	1.50	11.20	115.0
Laurence's X Roads	10.00	1.50	3.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	128.1
Lewiston .....	.....	6.00	16.50	.....	5.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	27.75	245.2
Lasker .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.9
Margaretsville	6.65	5.95	2.11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14.71	114.7
Mars Hill .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	310.6
Meherrin	5.00	2.44	2.43	.....	.....	.....	4.00	1.67	4.45	19.99	310.2
Mt. Carmel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	96.9
Mt. Tabor .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	256.1
Murfreesboro	11.12	8.16	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.93	5.96	3.36	32.53	331.1
Oak Grove	3.90	4.20	6.29	1.44	.90	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.79	233.4
Pine Forest .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48.5
Potecasi .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	178.0
Pleasant Grove.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	163.2
Republican	3.70	.....	13.80	.....	.....	.....	3.00	2.00	.....	22.50	154.7
Rich Square.....	7.56	7.75	5.80	.....	.....	.....	3.50	2.00	3.50	30.11	95.1
Roanoke .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57.1
Roquist .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.0
Robert's Chapel .....	.....	38.75	5.13	.....	.....	.....	9.63	.....	.....	53.51	390.5
Ross's	3.26	1.30	3.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.76	142.3
Sandy Run	5.75	1.90	11.85	.....	.....	.....	1.38	2.26	.....	23.04	214.0
Seaboard	4.50	2.40	1.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.30	111.0
Siloam .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.2
Severn	7.80	4.90	6.10	.....	2.17	.....	1.61	.82	1.23	24.43	313.4
St. John's .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	77.4
Union	5.00	43.20	13.50	.....	.....	.....	3.45	3.45	.....	69.60	362.8
Winton	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	109.0
Woodland	13.05	4.10	5.00		2.35		2.30	.80	1.96	27.66	160.0
	176.45	321.28	258.48	13.14	48.09	16.05	44.04	27.51	37.82	942.86	9371.2





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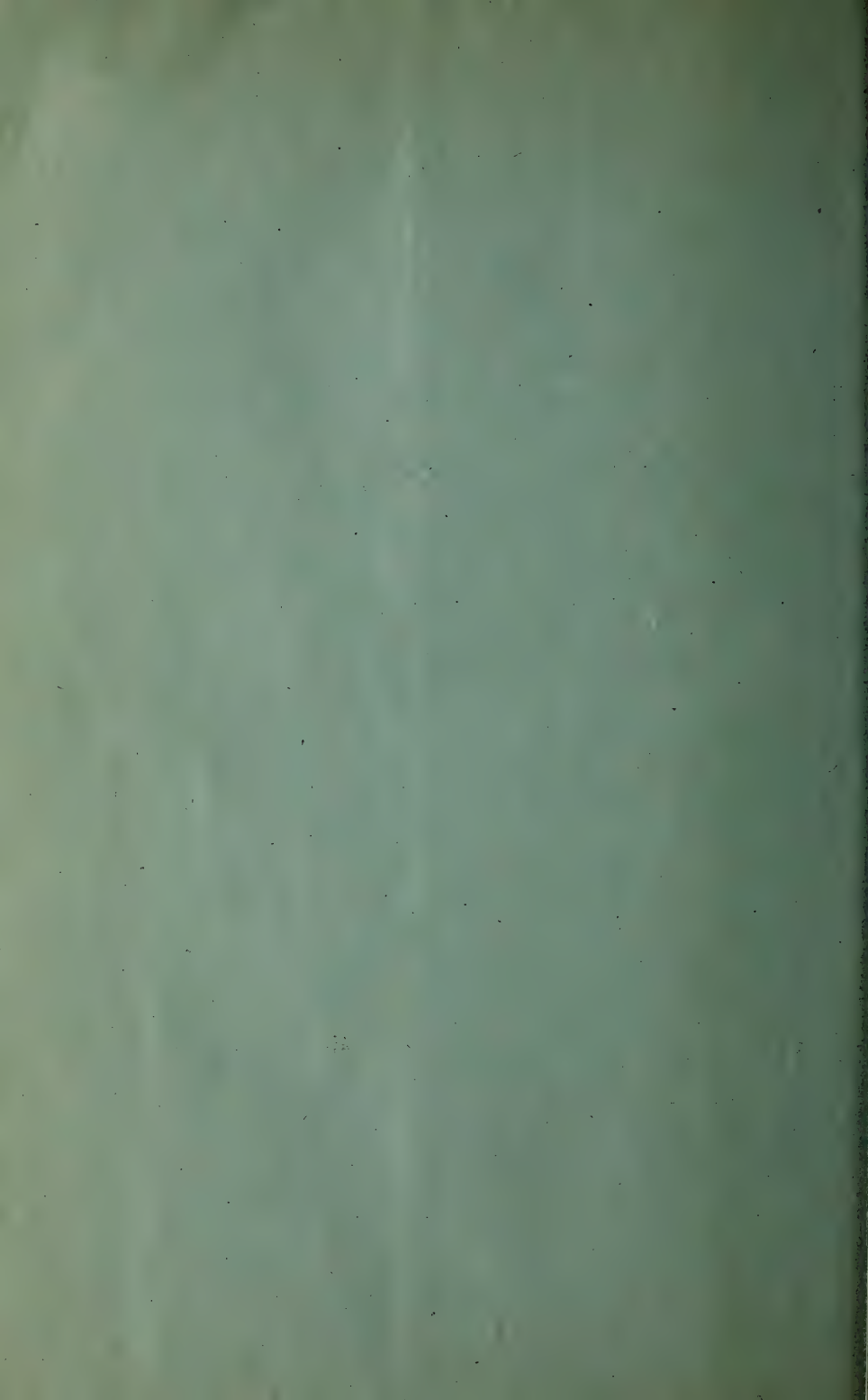
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CONSTITUTION.

Name.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

Membership.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: Provided, no church shall have more than four delegates.

Objects.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

Powers and Prerogatives.

Art. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative counsel, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but can not bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for dismission.

Rights of the Churches.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association, the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

Duties of the Churches.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality; (2) The names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post-offices; (3) the Sabbaths of regular service; (4) the church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled and aggregate membership, male and female; (5) Sabbath school statistics; (6) amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund; (7) names of delegates and alternates; (8) any other information deemed of special importance.

Organization.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual

session, after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats, the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

Duties of Officers.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order, and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes an historical sketch of the session, and the facts of its present and past history.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five laymen on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. (Adopted 1898.)

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that selling intoxicating liquors through a dispensary is a violation of the spirit and letter of the resolution of our Constitution. (1905.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.**First Day.**

11:00 A. M.—Introductory Sermon.

12:00 M. —Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.

12:30 P. M.—Recess.

2:00 P. M.—Report of Committee on Credentials; organize; read constitution; call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session; receive new churches; invite visitors; appoint Committees.

3:00 P. M.—Report on Home Missions.

4:00 P. M.—Assignment of homes.
Adjournment.

Second Day.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional exercises.

9:45 A. M.—Routine Business.

10:00 A. M.—Report on C. B. F. Institute.

11:00 A. M.—Report on Foreign Missions.

12:00 M. —Report on State Missions.

1:00 P. M.—Recess.

2:40 P. M.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.

3:00 P. M.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.

4:00 P. M.—Miscellaneous Business.
Adjournment.

Third Day.

9:30 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.

9:45 A. M.—Routine Business.

10:00 A. M.—Report on Education.

11:00 A. M.—Report on Church Statistics.

11:30 A. M.—Report of Committees.

12:00 M. —Miscellaneous Business.
Adjournment.

J. S. MITCHELL,
J. C. SCARBOROUGH,
A. T. HOWELL,

PROCEEDINGS.

Tuesday, October 29, 1907.

The West Chowan Baptist Association meets this day in its twenty-fifth Annual Session with Christian Harbor Baptist Church, Hertford County. R. L. Gay preaches the introductory sermon from the 60th division of the Psalms, 4th verse.

The Vice-Moderator, J. S. Mitchell, now calls the Association to order and the list of delegates is called and enrolled as follows:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Ahoskie—L. R. Dilley, J. B. Modlin, *J. P. Harrell, A. B. Cowan.
Aulander—J. L. Harrington, A. W. Earley, *C. W. Mitchell.
Bethlehem—W. A. Berry, A. Bass, W. P. Shaw.
Bethany—W. D. Robertson, John Baker, John R. Bynum.
Brantley's Grove—W. H. Bryant, *J. T. Cowan.
Buckhorn—H. J. Vann, E. N. Harrell, G. C. Picot.
Capeheart's—Estus White, H. J. Ward, *James Lee.
Cashie—T. Gillam, J. H. Matthews, *E. L. Gatling.
Center Grove—J. E. Mathews, S. A. Dilley, L. J. Godwin.
Chowan—W. P. Taylor, N. W. Britton.
Christian Harbor—J. H. Evans, J. H. Myers, E. V. Grisom.
Coleraine—D. R. Britton, A. A. Pearce, J. E. D. Perry.
Connaritsa—Josiah Earley, *Jno. H. Mitchell, J. P. Morris.
Creeksville—Paul Joyner, *E. G. Edwards.
Conway—*E. J. Vick, *C. E. Hedspeth, J. F. Martin.
Elam—*J. E. Daniel, B. C. Stephenson, *E. H. Grizzard.
Galatia—*J. R. Taylor, *J. W. Taylor, *W. E. Davis.
Green's X Roads—*G. W. Castellow, C. W. Mizelle, W. H. Mizelle.
Harrelsville—W. E. Miller, Jesse Powell, Dorsey Taylor.
Hebron—*E. C. Parker, J. D. Brewer, W. J. Griffin.
Hillside—C. E. Hobbs, Wiley Saunders.
Holly Grove—W. L. Vaughan, M. R. Barnes.
Jackson—*P. J. Long, *Edwin Wright.
Kelford—W. E. Parker, W. C. Evans.
Lawrence X. Roads—J. W. Langdale, J. T. Butterston, J. R. Phelps.
Lewiston—*J. L. Harrington, W. D. Mizelle, J. C. Davidson.
Lasker—*J. C. Dale, *J. V. Holloman.
Margarettsville—*Russel Barnes, *John D. Overby.
Mars Hill—D. W. Britton, Kader Bass, E. J. Miller, L. P. Freeman.
Meherrin—*Junius Vaughan, B. A. Porter, *J. E. Griffith, *Herbert Chitty.
Mount Carmel—*Ernest Erekson, *J. T. Long, *H. N. Rochelle.
Mount Tabor—A. I. Parker, J. W. Boone, R. P. Hoggard.
Murfreesboro—J. C. Scarborough, R. Sewell.
Oak Grove—A. G. Lassiter, J. S. Holloman, R. R. Pennell.
Pine Forest—*J. A. Collier, *T. P. High.
Potecasi—E. B. Lassiter, *C. G. Powell, *A. E. Peele.
Pleasant Grove—A. P. Joyner, *C. E. Jenkins, *Henry Lassiter.
Republican—*G. W. White, J. H. Burden, *A. V. Coble.
Rich Square—*Albert Vann, *J. T. Bolton, *Willie Edwards.
Roanoke—R. J. Burnett, J. T. Howell.
Roquist—*J. E. Tadlock, *J. A. Johnson.
Robert's Chapel—J. Q. Parker, *J. H. Stephenson, W. M. Watson.
Ross's—J. H. Lawrence, J. P. Mizelle, Worley Cowan, J. B. Mitchell.
Sandy Run—W. J. Watson, W. T. Smith, E. L. Bishop.
Seaboard—*G. F. Gay, *W. T. Parker.
Siloam—*Charles Bond, *C. E. Collins.
Severn—W. H. Pruden, P. M. Fleetwood, J. H. Mann.

* Absent.

St. John's—*R. L. Edwards, *E. H. Joyner, *W. P. Britton.

Union—J. P. Freeman, W. A. Miller.

Winton—J. A. Downs, *J. J. Piland.

Woodland—J. T. Brittle, *C. W. Harrell, E. E. Liverman.

J. P. Freeman, W. H. Pruden, A. W. Earley and R. Sewell are appointed a Committee on Credentials.

M. P. Davis, the pastor of Christian Harbor Church, extends a welcome to the Association, which is responded to by A. T. Howell.

The Association now adjourns for dinner, with the benediction by M. A. Adams.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association convened at 2 o'clock and is called to order by the Vice-Moderator.

The Committee on Credentials reports that all the churches are in accord with the constitution. The report is adopted.

The Association now proceeds to elect its officers for the ensuing year which results as follows: W. P. Shaw, Moderator; J. S. Mitchell, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; J. P. Freeman, Treasurer; M. A. Adams, Historian.

R. L. Gay, J. P. Freeman, S. B. Barnes are appointed a committee to examine the organization and Articles of Faith of Holly Springs Church which is seeking admission into the body. The committee reports favorably and the church is received and the hand of fellowship given by the Moderator to the delegates.

The following visitors are recognized and welcomed to seats in the Association: B. Craig, M. L. Kesler, J. S. Farmer, T. G. Wood, T. J. Hudson, and Albert Evans.

The Moderator appoints E. B. Lassiter, A. W. Early and Estus White as Finance Committee.

C. W. Scarborough reads the report on Foreign Missions. The discussion of this report is deferred until to-morrow morning.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Southern Baptist Convention is doing Mission work in China, Africa, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, and Argentina. These countries, if put together, would make a territory nearly 6 times as large as the United States, containing more than 8 times as many people. These countries do not embrace the whole heathen world for India and the vast empire of Russia are not included. The 680,000,000 of lost souls in the fields mentioned ought to bring us low before our Christ, when we think of the little we are doing to execute His command: Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. This command is the authority for missions, the argument for Missions is Rom. 13-15. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in Whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in Him of Whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach except they be sent? The history of Christianity is both the history and the justification of missions. The hope for success in mission work is as bright as the promises of God are clear; and the manifestations of His power on the mission fields unmistakable.

Our Southern Baptist Convention has a membership of 1,946,948, and through our Foreign Board, of Richmond, Va., is doing work for God in the seven countries named above. This Board represents us, our obedience to God; on these fields. China, Africa and Japan are called Pagan fields, because the people there worship idols. China is larger, by nearly a million and a

half square miles, than the U. S., and has more than 7 times as many people.

We began work in South China in 1845; in Central China in 1847; in North China in 1860; in interior China in 1904. Brother and Sister Britton from our Association are at Soochow, Central China. We have in China 40 male and 58 female missionaries, besides many native assistants. These represent us in a land where there are 400,000,000 souls; and where there is only one gospel preacher to 183,675 souls. Here we have one to 546 people. During the year 1906-1907 four new missionaries were added to our force in China. Last year there were 815 baptisms, and our 41 churches had 5,377 members. I mention some special features of our work; Day schools with Christian teachers especially for our converts and their children; Theological schools to train native Christians who are called to preach. This is especially necessary in view of the spirit of independence which is sweeping over China and Japan: it is also highly economical because 10 native preachers can be employed for what it takes to support one foreign missionary.

Our printing presses are giving God's word, Christian books and many useful tracts to the people.

Medical missionaries (of whom we have 12 on our entire foreign fields) are healing diseases and pointing to the great Physician. This work is done largely in our "Jesus Stations" as the nations call our hospitals. When we remember God is working through these agencies, and the preaching of his word, why should we wonder that light is breaking on China; and that their idols and idol temples are neglected and rotting!

To most of us Africa is but a name for horrible crimes, degradation, and sin fully developed, yet one of our missionaries calls it "The Continent of the Future." Few of us realize that 170,000,000 souls are there, and but few of these Christians.

Baptist mission work began in Africa in 1820, by two colored men sent out from the 1st Baptist Church of Richmond, Va. In 1850 our Convention began work on the west coast of Africa, and with varied experiences it has continued till now. Except Brazil it is the most fruitful field we have. Last year, with 11 missionaries at work, there were 206 baptisms. There are at this time 19 churches and 1081 members. Some difficulties are: An exceedingly unhealthy climate, Mohammedanism in the North, the dense ignorance and superstition of the people, and millions of barrels of American whiskey.

The country is being rapidly brought under British and German civilization and there is considerable European population. This year Geo. Green of England, married Miss Lydia Williams, of Norfolk, Va., and they have been added to our workers in Africa.

Japan since 1853 has written a chapter unique in the history of nations. To-day it is an example and an inspiration to China. If the "Yellow Peril," the great political monster some so dread, ever comes, Japan will lead and dominate it. Japan certainly holds the key to the religious problem of the far East. It is an empire of some 50,000,000 people, the most progressive on earth. The world is going to school to Japan. At the close of the Russian war there were only a few hundred Chinese students in Japan, now there are 16,000 at Tokyo alone. Great numbers of Japanese teachers are employed all over China. Indian, Filipino, Siamese, and Korean students are flocking to Japan. Only a few months ago Germany sent a deputation of army and navy officers to Japan to study its military methods. Religious literature is in great demand. Self-consciousness, individual responsibility, and the universal desire in the churches for independence is an atmosphere in which New Testament ideas will grow, and only Baptists can give in full such teaching. The emperor and empress have recently given large sums to Christian benevolence, and larger numbers than ever before attend our meetings, and hear with seeming pleasure. Here too we have a Theological Seminary with a Japanese at its head, and the school more than justifies the highest hopes of its founders.

Shintoism and Buddhism are the religions of the land. They offer no

remedy for sin, no hope for the future, but their 85,000 temples filled with idols still remain. The people have largely lost faith in these idols and are turning to Christ. Our mission there is comparatively new, but we have 7 churches, 18 missionaries, 300 members and there were 38 baptisms last year. Our Papal fields (Roman Catholic countries) are Italy, Mexico, Brazil, and Argentina. Italy is the home of the Pope and the stronghold of Catholicism; Mexico is our door neighbor; Brazil and Argentina are in South America. In these countries Roman Catholicism has its way, is untrammelled; and Christianity is so deeply perverted, and so completely misrepresented that it is no longer recognized. Salvation by works is preached and ordinary morality no part of practical life. Moreover, idolatry as truly abounds in these countries as in China. In a city in Mexico an image about a foot high is worshipped in a chapel, and the priest tells the people that one prayer to this image on a certain day in the year will take off 25,000 years from the time one must spend in the fires of purgatory. Children are sprinkled by the priest, spittle and salt from the lips of the priest are put into the child's mouth and the priest breathes into the nostrils of the child that it may become a living soul. For all this he receives large pay. The Bible is kept from the people, and the priest is the leader in almost every form of wickedness.

In a general way these Catholic countries present the same difficulties and the same grounds for hope. The silent, but stupefying effects, of Catholic teaching on heart and conscience holds the people; the active and persistent persecutions, led by the priests, against our missionaries and their converts, keep back many who would otherwise listen to truth. But there is large room for hope.

First of all, and above all, God is for us and with us, and with, and in, his word. Then ignorance is the strong hold of the catholic church, and this is not an age of willing ignorance. Light is breaking, it is day-break everywhere. Pope Pious X is trying to shut off the light, but in vain. A great schism has arisen in the Catholic church—a revolt against the authority of the Pope. Strange to say, the leaders of this revolt are demanding a return to the principles of the Gospels and the other books of the New Testament. The people are not satisfied with darkness and the hush of formalism. See our success in these countries! Though we began later and have fewer missionaries, than in the Pagan fields, our ingatherings have been been larger here.

There are some encouraging facts as to our work in these fields.

Last year we had in Italy (in addition to the native assistants) 5 missionaries, 102 baptisms, 825 members, and 32 churches.

In Mexico he had 28 missionaries, 212 baptisms, 1,536 members, and 48 churches.

In Brazil we had 33 missionaries, 840 baptisms, 4,267 members and 83 churches. In Argentina, our newest mission, we had 10 missionaries, 26 baptisms, 51 members and 3 churches.

During the past year 6 new missionaries have been sent to Brazil, and 3 to Mexico. Argentina and Italy have received no reinforcements, but Italy has lost our veteran missionary, Geo. B. Taylor. He died only a few weeks ago.

God has signally blessed the work of our missionaries during the past year. Ten years ago we had only 660 baptisms on our foreign fields, last year God gave us, 2,239 baptisms. Then we gave \$125,681, last year we gave \$403,811.54. See how God's gifts kept pace with our gifts!

Your committee would remind you that our Convention in session at Richmond last May authorized our Foreign Mission Board to expend this year \$750,000. We recommend that the churches of this Association so increase their pledges as to bear their part of this justifiable advance.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH,
For Committee.

S. B. Barnes makes the following report on Periodicals, which is adopted:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We are living in an age of growing intelligence. People read more than ever before; and unless we read, we shall be left behind in its onward march. It is important that we read, but what we read is more important. The reading of corrupt literature goes far towards making a bad life, while the reading of good, pure, literature helps much in making a good life. The Biblical Recorder belongs to the latter class, it is sound in doctrine, and faithful and true to our principles as Baptists. It ought to be in every Baptist home in North Carolina.

Charity and Children stands among the very best of our periodicals. Keeps us informed as to the Orphanage. It also contains much other wholesome reading matter.

Your Committee would also recommend the Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal. These will give us more information about Home and Foreign Missions than we get out of the Recorder, and Charity and Children.

The West Chowan Baptist Messenger, published at Winton, N. C., is worthy of our patronage. It keeps us posted about our work in our own Association. The North Carolina Baptist is worthy of patronage by those who need more than one denominational State paper.

Respectfully submitted, S. B. BARNES.

The Committee on Time and Place for the next session of the Association are T. Gilliam, A. Bass and J. S. Mitchell.

The Committee on Hospitality now reports and the delegates are assigned homes.

The Association adjourns with prayer by J. S. Farmer.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association meets at 9:30 o'clock. Devotional exercises are conducted by C. E. Edwards.

M. A. Adams presents the report on C. B. F. Institute.

REPORT ON THE CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

For nearly sixty years the Chowan Baptist Institute has stood as a beacon light for the education of our women.

From the foundation to the present time she has been one of the most powerful forces for building up and maintaining a refined Christian womanhood in Eastern North Carolina. It is one of the few schools of the South that did not close her doors during the civil war. The present management still maintains the high standard heretofore set, with a corps of efficient teachers. The student body is excellent, and the spirit of the class room good. There are now enrolled 112 students—84 boarders in the Institution, 4 in the town—the remainder being local. The thing that is most needed is to free the Institution from debt. There has been paid, through Bro. W. P. Taylor, since last Association \$1076.12, and he has now on hand \$240.70, making a total of \$1,317.82. There is now a debt of \$9,500.00 on the Institute, with some \$6,000.00 in pledges from this Association. The Chowan has not as yet taken any active steps to raise their quota, and at this time there is urgent need for this matter to be adjusted. We are now two payments behind on the Wood note and that makes the interest heavier every year and will make the total amount that much more to be raised the longer this stands. Your committee asks permission to make the following suggestions:

1. That the committee appointed by the Board of Trustees be instructed, to canvass the Chowan Association for this debt and to finish the canvass in this Association.
2. That we urge our people to pay the pledges already made at the earliest possible convenience.

3. That we urge our people to patronize the Institute and to give her their sympathy and prayers.

4. That we make a thorough canvass for students.

5. That a Chair of Bible and Mission study be established as soon as practicable.

THE COMMITTEE.

This report is discussed by M. A. Adams, J. A. Speight, T. T. Speight, W. P. Taylor, R. L. Gay, M. P. Davis, W. P. Shaw, and J. C. Scarborough, and is adopted.

The report on Education is read by J. H. Evans:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your Committee begs to say, that from a careful survey the Baptists are on the up grade in all of their work, and educationally we are keeping pace. We now have seventy young men at Wake Forest preparing for the active work of the ministry, fifty of whom are now receiving aid from the Education Board. We need to increase our contributions to the Board of Education. We believe that our schools are in the hands of worthy men, true and tried, and that they deserve our patronage and we plead with our people to give them their best efforts. Respectfully submitted,

T. T. SPEIGHT,

J. H. EVANS.

Remarks on this report are made by B. Craig, M. P. Davis and C. W. Scarborough.

The roll of churches is called and pledges made for next year. The report is adopted.

At this point, the Foreign Mission report is taken up and discussed by C. W. Scarborough. The roll of churches is called, pledges made, and the report adopted.

M. P. Davis makes the report on State Missions:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

"Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow."

About 150 missionaries have been laboring under the direction of our State Mission Board during the past year which closes the 31st of October—the day on which the session of this Association will close. God has graciously blessed the efforts of our Missionaries from the mountains to the sea. Many souls have been saved and added unto the churches. Some of our Mission Churches are now ready to stand alone and begin to give back to the denomination what they have received during their infancy.

God has opened up many new points where the full gospel has not been preached and now we have the Macedonian Missionary call. Must we turn a deaf ear to their calls? If we do, God will surely give our heritage unto others more worthy than we. The last Baptist State Convention heard the call and nobly and bravely directed the Mission Board to lay out the work on a \$40,000 basis—an increase of 25 per cent. Have the churches heard the call and responded as bravely and nobly as our brethren in Convention at Greensboro did last year? Have the Churches of West Chowan Association done their part? When the report of the Committee on Digest of Church Letters is made it is hoped that we can sing, "Praise God from whom all Blessings flow."

We find on our western border the great anti-Mission territory of the world. God has placed this section near by that the brethren of the Great West Chowan Association might hear the Macedonian call clear and loud. Wherever we have preached the gospel we have seen the signs of victory written on every side. Many skirmishes have been fought and in every instance "victory" was the result. The time has come to fight great battles in the name of Jesus Christ, the world-wide Savior.

State Missions have been the greatest of all blessings to North Carolina Baptists. Churches have been aided from the mountains to the sea. Every town of any size from Murphy to Beaufort have felt the helping hand of this Board besides hundreds of country churches. Fully 50,000 souls have been baptized by State Missionaries during the history of our Convention. Two thirds of all contributions to Home and Foreign Missions comes from the churches aided by the State Mission funds. Evangelize North Carolina and North Carolina will do her part in evangelizing the world.

If our State Mission Board reports a debt at our Convention in Wilmington, the work of State Missions will be greatly crippled. We, your Committee, therefore recommend that each church take a special collection during the month of November for State Missions and that the messengers to this session of this body increase their pledges one fourth.

M. P. DAVIS,

For Committee.

After some remarks by M. P. Davis, B. Craig addresses the Association on this report. Pledges are made for State Missions, and the report is adopted. The Association adjourns with benediction by T. G. Wood.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association convenes at about 2:30 o'clock, the Moderator in the chair.

The following resolution by A. T. Howell is adopted:

Resolved, That the reports on Temperance and Periodicals be stricken from our minutes, and the time be given equally to Foreign Missions, Home Missions, and Education; that the program committee be instructed to rotate the reports so as not to give any one report the best place every year.

A. T. Howell, J. C. Scarborough, J. S. Mitchell constitute the Program Committee.

On motion, the Finance Committee is abolished.

C. E. Edwards makes the report on Ministers' Relief Board:

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

This Board has for its object the aiding of dependent ministers and widows who have wrought early and late without sufficient remuneration.

The outlook for the work of this Board is hopeful and very encouraging. The increased contributions and the increased number of beneficiaries admitted on the Board, are marked indications of a growing interest and progress.

The State Board reported thirty-one families represented on the Board last year and an increase of twenty-five per cent. in contributions.

To make this work a great benefit to our old and worthy brethren and their widows, we urge the pastors and churches of the Association to better inform themselves concerning this important work, and increase their contributions to it, so that these worthy ones may not be in want in their old age.

C. E. EDWARDS,

J. R. MATTHEWS,

C. M. EDWARDS,

Committee.

C. E. Edwards discusses the report, and it is adopted.

W. B. Waff reads the report on the Baptist Orphanage:

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Our Orphanage continues to enjoy the favor and blessings of God. It moves forward steadily under the wise and able management of Bro. M. L. Kesler and his faithful assistants.

From the very beginning of this work, it has had a continuous and substantial growth. As it grew at Thomasville, it grew also in the hearts of the Lord's people. When the number of children there was small, a small amount of money was sent, though enough to take care of them. As the number increased the money increased proportionately, so that each year enough was sent up to care for the orphans and employ men and women to look after them. We have there now a farm of about 440 acres, cultivated by the boys under the direction of Bro. Averitt, the treasurer of the Institution.

The shoe shop which employs a half dozen or more boys and turns out 900 pairs of shoes a year is in charge of Bro. Venable Wilson, a capable man and a consecrated Christian.

In the office of Charity and Children from 5 to 7 boys are at work learning the useful and practical art of type-setting. From this office many boys have gone who are now holding honorable and responsible places in different sections of the State. A few boys also work in the planing mill, and help to fire the engines.

All these departments are helpful, not only in training the boys in these useful arts, but as sources of revenue to the institution. It is the intention of the general manager to extend and multiply these avenues of usefulness.

The girls receive instruction in needlework and other domestic duties.

There is also a fine graded school in which competent teachers are employed. Half of the children attend school in the forenoon and half in the afternoon. A stenographer and typewriter has been added who gives special lessons to girls who show aptitude for this branch of education.

The great need of the Orphanage at this time is a suitable infirmary; and we are glad that the Baptist women of our State are taking in hand the work of putting such a building there.

We have about 360 children there now, and they are supported by the direct contributions of the Baptist people of North Carolina. There is no endowment to draw from for their support; the interest of the invested fund being used in the improvement of the plant. We recommend

1st. That our churches increase their gifts to this work.

2nd. That every Sunday school in our Association take one collection every month for the Orphanage, and also take clubs of Charity and Children and keep themselves informed in regard to the work there.

3rd. That all of our Women's Missionary Societies join hands with the other women of the State in their efforts to build the infirmary.

4th. That all our churches hold a Thanksgiving service in behalf of the Orphanage, on Thanksgiving Day, or on some other day that may suit them better.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. WAFF,
J. H. LAWRENCE.

M. L. Kesler addresses the Association on the Orphanage. The report is adopted. A cash collection is taken for the Orphanage amounting to \$30.00.

Committee on Time and Place and Preacher for the next session of this body makes report as follows: Place, Aulander; Time, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1908; to preach the Introductory Sermon, A. T. Howell; alternate, W. H. Davis. The report is adopted.

The Association adjourns with the benediction by R. L. Gay.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

W. H. Davis conducts the devotional exercises.

On motion, the thanks of the Association are extended to the brethren and sisters of this church and their friends for the splendid hospitality received at their hands during this session.

The following resolution is adopted:

Resolved, That the West Chowan Association hereby express the sympathy of the ministers and messengers from the churches with and for our brethren, L. M. Curtis and M. L. Green in their affliction by sickness, and we assure them of our love for and unfailing interest in them as brethren in Christ and as ministers of the gospel.

That we esteem them very highly for their work's sake and we pray for the blessings of our Lord to come upon them and upon their families in rich abundance.

That we earnestly desire by the will of God that they be restored to health of body and to fruitful labors in the ministry for the salvation of souls and for the building up of the kingdom of our Lord in the earth.

That the Clerk send a copy of these resolutions to each of these beloved brethren with assurances of our unfailing love for each of them.

On motion, R. L. Gay is requested to have the Introductory sermon published in the Biblical Recorder.

M. P. Davis is appointed a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, with W. P. Taylor, alternate.

C. W. Scarborough, J. H. Mathews and D. W. Britton are appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention. D. W. Britton is appointed a member of the State Mission Board.

A. T. Howell reads the report on Home Missions:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Home Missions is God-ordained work. The blood-stained cross on which the Prince of glory died was, perhaps, still standing on Calvary's rugged brow when the risen Christ, the Great Head of the Church, stood on Olivet's summit and said to his eleven disciples: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." In these words we have Christ's own programme of Missions. World-wide evangelism demands the accentuation of Home Missions in the order of the march. The command to "go" means no more to cross the waters than it does the state line. Wherever you find a person without the gospel there you find a need, and that need is an opportunity for service, whether it be in the "Old North State," in the new West, or in the South Sea Islands.

Never before in the sixty-two years of the glorious history of Home Missions has its work been more arduous, its problems more serious, and its needs for enlargement greater.

"Save America to save the world," is both good philosophy and true Christianity. "As goes America so goes the world," has a deeper significance to-day, owing to our international influence, than when uttered by Austin Phelps twenty years ago. William Kincade, after years of devotion to Home and Foreign Missions, declares that "the planting and nurturing of churches in America is our first and best work for the evangelization of the world."

The future of the whole earth is largely pivoted on what Southern Baptists do for Home Missions. The nearest and surest way to earth's perishing nations is through the Home Mission Board. The items of this report are as follows: Missionaries employed, 865; baptisms, 18,798, or an average of 51 per day; Sunday schools organized, 703; Churches constituted, 271; church houses built, 309; members added to the churches 33,005. Truly these figures indicate that the godly men to whom our Home Mission interests have been committed have been up and about our Father's business, and the signal favor of the Lord of the harvest has been upon their labors. In the matter of finances also the Board has greatly prospered. Its receipts from all states this past year were \$231,834.03, an increase of \$55,422.73 over the income of last year. Of this amount North Carolina gave \$16,104.18. The West Chowan Association gave \$1,231.31, an average of eleven cents per member. Our field of labor comprises the home land, Cuba, the Isle of Pines and Panama. Within our Southland and a part of us are ten million negroes. They come not here of their own choice, but they will remain with us of their choice. It is good for us that so many of them are Baptists. It will be better

for us if we will help them to be better Baptists. It can not be that it is our duty to preach the gospel to the negroes in Africa and not to those at our doors. The Spirit that denies the bread of life to the lowest of any race is not good enough to preach the gospel to the best of any race.

If race prejudice keeps us from doing our duty to the "man in black" we are poor representatives of Him who gave His life for the whole lost world. The gospel of God's love is the only solvent of the Negro problem.

God told us to go carry the gospel to every creature. We have been criminally negligent. And now God is sending the nations to us. They are pouring in upon us from all parts of the earth at a fearful rate. A million and a half this past year landed upon our shores. If we do not Christianize them they will paganize us. Shall the South remain American or become alien? That depends largely upon the work of the Home Mission Board. Soon the Home Mission Board will have to preach the gospel to more foreigners at home than the Foreign Mission Board is now preaching to abroad.

Two million Cubans are looking to us for the bread of life. Not to heed Cuba's spiritual wants after delivering them from political tyranny would be a travesty on the religion of the Baptists who have in the past taken joyfully the loss of goods, endured dungeons and martyr fires for the sake of soul liberty wherewith Christ has made us free.

A heart rending cry comes from three thousand "Churchless Churches" for help to build the Lord a house. Two million and a half mountaineers call upon us for Christian education under Baptist auspices. The mountain school work is mission work in a very concentrated form.

The favor of God is richly abiding on our 25 mountain schools with their 4,000 students. Nine of these schools are in North Carolina. Evangelism and development is coming to be the battle-cry of Southern Baptists. Love for God and love for country is the motive of that warfare. Through the efforts of our 5 evangelists the lost are being turned to God by the hundreds.

The problem of the city—our greatest problem, will have to be solved largely by Home Mission work. In the South, cities are rising as by magic. An hundred years ago only 4 per cent. of our population were in the cities. Now more than fifty per cent are in the towns and cities. The problem is all the more grave since the cities are being rapidly filled by foreigners. Already seven eighths of the great cities in the United States are dominated by foreigners. The city will forever dominate the world for good or evil. If we lose the city we lose the sceptre. The battle must be mainly fought in the city where satan's seat is. The city is the Port Arthur for Southern Baptists to storm and take for Christ. If tears could be shed in Heaven nothing could provoke them more readily than the modern city with its degradations, distresses, destitutions, sorrows and sins. He who does the most to Christianize the world, does most to christianize America, and he who does most to Christianize America, does most to christianize our American cities. The South is fast becoming a great industrial centre. We are becoming rich, influential, and great. We have now thrust upon us the Missionary opportunity of the ages. We have a work difficult and mighty. But we have the ability, the men and the money.

The South is increasing in wealth at the rate of seven million, three hundred thousand dollars per day. More than two million dollars are being added to the wealth of the Baptists of the South, each day in the year. The Home Mission Board needs a million dollars per year to do the work it is asked to do. This work is paramount. It is imperative. Our very life depends upon it. O, that all of our people could see this work as our leaders see it; its greatness, its importance, the opportunities that lie before us and the responsibility which it brings, and be led thereby to pour their offerings into the Lord's Treasury that this work might be enlarged as it needs to be and our Southland and Cuba be saved from the perils that threaten them. Brethren, let us go forward. Let us be brave and true and faithful. We then can inscribe victory on our banner. Respectfully submitted,

A. T. HOWELL,

For the Committee.

This report is spoken to by A. T. Howell, J. A. Speight, M. A. Adams, C. E. Edwards, J. S. Farmer and C. W. Scarborough. The roll of churches is called and pledges made, after which the report is adopted.

M. A. Adams reports on Church Statistics.

STATISTICAL REPORT AND DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Your Committee on Digest of Church Letters and Church Statistics beg leave to report as follows:

1. Fifty Churches out of fifty-two are reported by letter.
2. Ten Churches report no pastor and seven no baptism. Three did not contribute to ministerial education, eighteen did not contribute to ministerial relief, one did not contribute to State Missions, two did contribute to the Orphanage.

3. Baptisms compared with 1906:

Number of baptisms in 1906.....	461
Number of baptisms in 1907.....	611

Gain over 1906	150
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Total membership in 1906.....	10,940
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Total membership in 1907.....	11,319
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Gain over 1906.....	451
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4. Contributions as compared with 1906:

State Missions 1906.....	\$1,420.33
State Missions 1907.....	1,854.34

Gain over 1906.....	\$ 434.01
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Home Missions 1906.....	\$ 867.04
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Home Missions 1907.....	314.32
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Gain over 1906	\$ 517.28
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Foreign Missions 1906.....	\$1,649.36
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Foreign Missions 1907.....	2,104.22
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Gain over 1906.....	\$ 454.86
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Orphanage for 1906.....	\$1,174.14
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Orphanage for 1907.....	2,276.96
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Gain for 1907.....	\$1,104.52
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Education for 1906.....	\$ 439.65
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Education for 1907.....	478.94
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Gain for 1907.....	\$ 38.29
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Ministerial Relief for 1906.....	\$ 127.63
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Ministerial Relief for 1907.....	173.38
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Gain for 1907.....	\$ 46.75
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Schools and Colleges for 1906.....	\$ 258.24
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Schools and Colleges for 1907.....	1,200.58
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Gain for 1907.....	\$ 957.66
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Total contributions for 1906.....	\$5,837.30
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Total contributions for 1907.....	9,300.74
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Gain over 1906.....	\$3,463.35
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Some evident facts:

1. That Ministerial Relief is the most neglected object among us.
2. That our gain in contribution is more than eighteen times our gain in membership.
3. That some of our largest churches are farthest behind in contributions.
4. That the Churches should be exceedingly careful to report their work.
5. That we are not averaging one dollar per capita outside of home expenses as an Association.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. ADAMS, Committee.

The report is adopted.

On motion, the Clerk is made Statistician of the Association, with five dollars paid him for such service.

The Finance Committee makes the following report: We the undersigned committee report that we have received for

Minute Fund	\$ 86.71
Minister's Relief	6.00
Foreign Missions	65.00
State Missions	118.50
Home Missions	39.00
Education	18.00

\$ 333.21

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. LASSITER,

A. W. EARLY,

ESTUS WHITE,

Committee.

The report is adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION.

Jas. P. Freeman, Treas., in acct. with West Chowan Baptist Association.
To amount received from the Finance Committee at the 1906 session
of said Association, viz:

Minute fund	\$ 88.06
Orphanage fund	16.35
Home Mission fund	38.00
State Mission fund.....	72.50
Foreign Mission fund	75.50
Ministers' Relief Fund.....	22.00
To Minute fund from Bethany Church	2.25
To amount from C. W. Harrell, former Treasurer.....	1.27

\$ 315.93

By amount paid Walters Durham for Orphanage	\$16.35
By amt. paid Walters Durham for Home Mis...	38.00
By amt. paid Walters Durham for State Mis..	72.80
By amt. paid Walters Durham for Foreign Mis	75.50
By amt. paid Walters Durham for Min. Relief..	22.00
By amt. paid Nash Bros., Goldsboro., minutes..	66.00
By amt. paid N. W. Britton.....	25.00—\$ 315.65

Bal. due West Chowan Baptist Association..... \$ 28

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. P. FREEMAN, Treas.

It is ordered that one copy of the minutes be sent to the Clerk of each church not contributing anything to the Minute fund.

On motion, R. L. Gay, J. C. Scarborough, M. A. Adams, and C. W. Mitchell are appointed a committee to get up the facts relating to the history of this Association.

On motion, the Historian is requested to have his report ready to be read at the next session of the Association.

M. A. Adams reads the Historian's report which is adopted:

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Your Historian begs leave to report as follows: There has been very little furnished for this report. All is faithfully recorded that has been obtainable.

Progress.

We learn from our church letters that our contributions were more than \$3,000.00 over last year's contribution. The baptisms were about 200 over last year. Quite a number of Churches have increased their pastors' salaries. The following are known to your Historian: Ahoskie, Centre Grove, Mt. Tabor, Mars Hill, Christian Harbor, Windsor, Bethany, Winton, Union, Potocasi, Hebron, Woodland, Jackson, Seaboard, Elam, Pine Forest, Oak Grove, Severn, Meherrin, Pleasant Grove. There may be others. The pledges for the coming year are the largest ever made, taken as a whole.

New Churches.

During the year one new Church was organized—Holly Springs—and received into the Association.

Church Buildings.

Conway has completed one of the best houses of worship in our Association. They have good class rooms and an excellent auditorium. Lasker is in the process of building a house that will meet the demands of her growing work.

Necrology.

During the year several of our workers have passed over the river. The following have been reported to your Historian:

Elijah Lowe was a member of the Chowan church, in Winton, for a goodly number of years. Brother Lowe was known for stalwart integrity and quiet piety. He died during the summer and was buried in Norfolk, Va.

Deacon John P. Sykes, of the Conway Church, died in Dec., 1906. Says a man who knew him: "He was worthy of all honor as a faithful christian and a Godly man."

Deacon A. Newell, of the Mars Hill Church, crossed over the river during the year. Brother Newell was a man of great usefulness and influence in his Church, always ready for every good work.

Deacon W. B. ———, of the Colerain Church, died during the year. For a long number of years he was Superintendent of the Colerain Sunday School and a leader in all departments of their work.

Major John W. Moore, of Bethlehem Church, died Dec. 6, 1906. He was the eldest son of Dr. Godwin C. Moore, who presided over the sessions of the Chowan Association for a long number of years, and his mother was the sister of Col. John H. Wheeler, the Historian. Brother Moore was married Sept. 12, 1853; an elector on the Breckenridge Presidential ticket in 1860, and the Author of Moore's History of North Carolina, and served as a Major of Artillery in the Confederate war; the Compiler of Moore's Roster of North Carolina State Troops. He also wrote a Southern Romance, The heirs of St. Kilda. He was quite a Bible student and for many years taught a Bible class in his Sunday School and was held in high esteem by his pastor and the membership of his Church. It was said of him in a memorial address, "No allurements of ambition, no regard of selfish purposes, no argument of expediency could tempt him from the path of right."

Pastoral Changes.

Since we last met Pastor E. J. Harrel has left our ranks and joined the forces of Robeson Association and Pastor J. R. Taylor has cast his lot

with the Saints on The Eastern Shore of Virginia. Brother W. B. Waff has located near Murfreesborough and is Sheperding Meherrin, Conway, and Severn; Brother R. D. Stephenson has become Pastor at Windsor. Brother W. H. Davis has become pastor of the Winton Church. These are our importations. There have been a few changes within our ranks. Brother R. L. Gay has taken up the work at Aulander and Pleasant Grove, A. T. Howell at Potecasi and Hebron; J. F. Cale at Rich Square and Woodland, D. Cale at Roxobel, T. T. Speight at Republican, J. A. Speight at Ross's, and S. B. Barnes at Holly Springs. W. L. Britt also left our ranks to join those of the Atlantic.

Ordinations.

At Roxobel J. F. Cale was duly set apart to Gospel Ministry by a Presbytery consisting of C. W. Scarborough, T. T. Speight, D. Cale and M. P. Davis; also, "Jack" Barnes, at Robert's Chapel, the Presbytery consisting of At. T. Howell, W. B. Waff, and C. W. Scarborough, L. A. Parke at Hebron. (The Historian is not informed of whom the Presbytery consisted).

Retired.

We regret to chronicle the fact, that two of our most efficient and oldest pastors have found it necessary, on account of failing health, to retire from the active work of the pastorate. These brethren are L. M. Curtis and Mills Green, of Ahoskie.

The Session.

The Association was held with the Church at Christian Harbor, Oct. 28-30. R. L. Gay preached the Introductory Sermon. All the old officers were re-elected, except the Moderator and Judge W. P. Shaw of the Bethlehem Church was chosen to fill that vacancy. A most excellent presiding officer he proved to be. All the reports were made as usual. The entertainment was par excellent. The crowds not up to average, but the session exceedingly good. The next session goes to Aulander. A. T. Howell to preach the Introductory sermon.

M. A. ADAMS, Historian.

The following resolutions by R. L. Gay are adopted:

TEMPERANCE RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, we consider the traffic and use of intoxicating liquor, as a beverage, one of the greatest curses known among civilized people; therefore be it Resolved:

1. That we hail with delight the great Temperance reform movement that is sweeping over the South.
2. That we heartily endorse the work of the Anti-Saloon League in fostering, unifying and utilizing the temperance forces of the land.
3. That we believe the time is ripe for State Prohibition, and that we hereby pledge our hearty cooperation and support to the movement that seeks to secure from the next Legislature prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor in this State for beverage purposes.
4. That we rejoice that the Dispensaries at Winton and Jackson have been closed during the year and we will hail with delight the time when a like result shall follow at Windsor, Colerain and Harrellsville.

R. L. GAY.

After some appropriate remarks by C. W. Scarborough, J. A. Speight, and M. P. Davis, the Association adjourns one of its best sessions, with prayer by W. H. Davis.

W. P. SHAW, Moderator.

N. W. BRITTON, Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the West Chowan Association met in its 13th annual session, Oct. 31, 1907, at 2:15 o'clock, in the School House near Christian Harbor Church.

Before the regular order of business was taken up, Rev. M. L. Kesler addressed the body on the Orphanage work, laying before us the present need of the new Infirmary. Several of our Societies have already contributed to this grand and noble work, and no doubt many more will in the near future.

Miss Essie Wynne, of Union, N. C., acting as Vice-President pro tem., discussed our work, as she had found it, since taking it up in June. After which she offered prayer, asking God's blessings upon our work for Him.

Roll of Societies was called and several responded as follows:

Ahoskie	\$ 114.22	Potecasi	46.90
Aulander	125.30	Rich Square.....	\$ 22.36
Capehart's	12.00	Union	
Cashie	75.75	Winton	
Chowan	190.00	Woodland	20.30
Christian Harbor		Pleasant Grove	3.70
Colerain	30.53	Bethlehem	12.00
Connaritsa	10.3	Cashie (Ladies Aid).....	106.50
Connaritsa	10.30	Cashie	18.65
Harrellsville	87.22	Sunbeams.	
Holly Grove.....	19.25	Woodland	\$ 4.85
Kelford		Ahoskie	9.06
Mars Hill		Coleraine	8.69

Many delegates were present. Societies not sending delegates were represented by letter. Reports were all read, and were encouraging, being larger than ever before.

The Vice-President's report was as follows:

Societies visited	5
Societies organized	2
Reports from W. M. Societies (quarterly) received.....	33
Reports from Sunbeam Societies (quarterly) received.....	7
Amount reported from W. M. Societies.....	\$227.56
Amount reported from Sunbeam Societies.....	17.90

Total\$245.46

Letters written	20
Postals written	1

Received for expense fund:

Ahoskie	\$ 1.00
Conway	1.00
Woodland	1.00
Rich Square	1.00

Total\$ 4.00

Expenses	65
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Amount in hand\$ 3.35

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Miss Essie Wynne was elected Vice-President, and in accepting the work, she very feelingly expressed her appreciation of the honor conferred upon her. And she gently reminded the Societies that they could help her perform

her duties by praying for her, and also by reporting to her promptly each quarter.

The question as to changing our time and place of annual meeting was discussed. The motion to change was unanimously carried.

Mrs. Council Evans read a paper on "How we can make Missions Interesting to the World."

The five minute talks by delegates on the need of their Societies and their hopes for them, was heartily responded to by several.

Miss Ella Morris, of Connaritsa, read a paper on "God's call, our response made easy."

The meeting adjourned after singing "Nearer my God to Thee."

MISS ESSIE WYNNE, Vice-President.

MRS. J. A. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

PLEDGES FOR 1908.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.
Ahoskie	\$ 45.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 20.00
Aulander	60.00	60.00	60.00	25.00
Bethlehem	45.00	55.00	21.00	21.00
Bethany	20.00	20.00	12.00	5.00
Brantley's Grove	24.00	24.00	20.00	3.00
Buckhorn	115.00	75.00	50.00	25.00
Capehart's	35.00	50.00	20.00	6.00
Cashie	100.00	75.00	25.00	20.00
Center Grove	30.00	40.00	18.00	8.00
Chowan	100.00	100.00	100.00	25.00
Christian Harbor	30.00	25.00	20.00	5.00
Coleraine	45.00	40.00	25.00	12.00
Connaritsa	30.00	30.00	22.50	10.00
Creeksville	17.50	17.50	10.00	5.00
Conway	35.00	30.00	15.00	10.00
Elam	32.50	22.50	12.50	7.50
Galatia	25.00	21.00	.....	5.00
Green's X Roads	20.00	18.00	12.00	2.00
Harrellsville	40.00	40.00	20.00	6.00
Hebron	25.00	25.00	13.00	6.00
Hillside	7.00	10.00	6.00	2.00
Holly Grove	25.00	23.00	15.00	8.00
Holly Springs	5.00	10.00	5.00	2.50
Jackson	20.00	25.00	18.00	5.00
Kelford	35.00	30.00	30.00	6.00
Lasker	5.00	10.00	.....	3.00
Lawrence's X Roads	25.00	30.00	12.00	5.00
Lewiston	27.50	49.80	20.00	10.00
Margarettsville	16.00	16.00	14.00	6.00
Mars Hill	100.00	40.00	40.00	10.00
Meherrin	121.00	30.00	.....	13.00
Mount Carmel	25.00	25.00	.....	6.00
Mount Tabor	45.00	45.00	35.00	10.00
Murfreesboro	50.00	50.00	50.00	20.00
Oak Grove	15.00	15.00	15.00	5.00
Pine Forest	12.00	12.00	.....	7.00
Potecasi	25.00	40.00	20.00	11.00
Pleasant Grove	35.00	35.00	20.00	10.00
Republican	30.00	28.00	15.00	7.00
Rich Square	20.00	30.00	.....	5.00
Roanoke	8.50	8.00	6.50	2.00
Roquist	7.00	8.00	7.00	2.00
Robert's Chapel	70.00	50.00	30.00	15.00
Ross's	35.00	50.00	.....	6.00
Sandy Run	35.00	30.00	30.00	10.00
Seaboard	16.00	22.00	.....	5.00
Siloam	2.50	2.50	.....	2.00
Severn	40.00	30.00	25.00	10.00
Saint John's	20.00	16.00	.....	4.00
Union	60.00	70.00	50.00	15.00
Winton	20.00	25.00	18.00	12.00
Woodland	30.00	27.50	20.00	6.00

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Preacher of the Introductory Sermon.	Texts.
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.....	R. P. Thomas.....	W. C. Parker.....	D. A. Woodson.....	Rom. 1:16.
1884	Robert's Chapel, Hertford Co..	do	do	J. D. Hufham.....	Acts 20:24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough...	Psalms 16:8.
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.....	do	do	C. W. Scarborough...	Heb. 13:1.
1887	Winton, Hertford Co.....	do	do	B. B. Williams.....	Acts 20:35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.....	do	do	M. L. Green.....	Gal. 6:10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.....	do	do	T. T. Speight.....	Gal. 6:10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.....	do	do	C. W. Scarborough...	Rom. 8:1.
1891	Mt. Carmel, Hertford Co.....	do	do	T. G. Wood.....	Habakkuk 2:15.
1892	Mt. Carmel, Northampton Co.	do	do	Braxton Craig.....	Num. 13:30.
1893	Coleraine, Bertie Co.....	do	do	L. M. Curtis.....	Col. 2:10.
1894	Mount Tabor, Hertford Co.....	do	do	A. Cree.....	Col. 1:28.
1895	Sandy, Run, Bertie Co.....	do	do	J. B. Boone.....	Rom. 15:1, 2, 3.
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co....	do	W. R. Raynor.....	R. D. Cross.....	Eph. 1:17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.....	J. C. Scarborough...	do	— McKaughan.....	Acts 5:29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.....	do	do	W. P. Jordan.....	Rom. 5:8; 8:32.
1899	Ahoskie, Hertford Co.....	do	do	J. A. Speight.....	Joel 3:14, 15, 16.
1900	Potecasi, Northampton Co.....	C. W. Mitchell.....	N. W. Britton.....	R. D. Cross.....	Gal. 6:14.
1901	Capelhart, Bertie Co.....	do	do	G. P. Harrill.....	Heb. 4:6.
1902	Connaritsa, Bertie Co.....	do	do	D. Cale.....	2 Cor. 9:6, 7.
1903	Buckhorn, Hertford Co.....	do	do	L. M. Curtis.....	Rev. 3:7 to 11.
1904	Ross, Bertie Co.....	do	do	A. T. Howell.....	Ex. 10:16. (28:19, 20).
1905	Hebron, Northampton Co.....	do	do	W. L. Britt.....	Matt. 3:19; 26:26-28.
1906	Cashie, Bertie Co.....	do	do	M. A. Adams.....	Heb. 13:1.
1907	Christian Harbor, Hertford Co....	W. P. Shaw.....	do	R. L. Gay.....	60th Psalm 4.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Location and Date of Construction.	Received.				Lost.				Membership.		
		Baptisms	Letters.	Restorations.	Totals.	Letters.	Exclusions.	Deaths.	Totals.	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Ahoskie.....	Hertford Co., 1804..	22	19	2	43	12	5	4	21	142	226	368
Aulander.....	Bertie Co., 1886....	9	1	10	8	12	3	23	130	159	289	
Bethlehem.....	Hertford Co., 1835..	18	2	2	22	6	1	11	18	74	110	184
Bethany.....	Bertie Co., 1881....	32	1	33	18	.....	.....	18	108	133	241	
Brantley's Grove...	Hertford Co., 1877..	6	1	2	9	8	.....	3	11	81	95	176
Buckhorn.....	Hertford Co., 1835..	17	2	4	23	2	3	3	8	135	115	250
Capehart's.....	Bertie Co., 1824....	3	3	6	8	8	.....	16	128	195	323	
Cashie.....	Bertie Co., 1878....	9	6	1	16	7	1	3	11	111	169	280
Centre Grove.....	Bertie Co., 1897....	7	3	.....	10	8	3	2	13	90	109	199
Chowan.....	Hertford Co., 1895..	9	6	.....	15	7	.....	1	8	66	80	146
Christian Harbor...	Hertford Co., 1881..	.....	5	.....	5	2	2	1	5	72	75	147
Coleraine.....	Bertie Co., 1780....	23	22	4	49	25	3	4	32	149	177	326
Connaritsa.....	Bertie Co., 1789....	13	2	6	21	13	4	5	22	140	178	318
Creeksville.....	Northampton, 1892	.....	8	.....	8	.....	.....	2	2	80	69	149
Conway.....	Northampton, 1905	19	15	.....	34	10	2	1	13	57	66	123
Elam.....	Northampton, 1844	17	.....	.....	17	6	3	1	10	70	152	222
Galatia.....	Northampton, 1859	14	7	1	22	6	.....	3	9	142	174	316
Green's X Roads...	Bertie Co., 1874....	17	2	.....	19	1	2	1	4	116	119	235
Harrellsville.....	Hertford Co., 1875..	1	8	6	15	8	1	1	10	82	83	165
Hebron.....	Northampton, 1856	12	1	1	14	8	.....	.....	8	115	153	268
Hillside.....	Bertie Co., 1885....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holly Grove.....	Bertie Co., 1804....	6	5	2	13	2	2	2	6	76	89	165
Holly Springs.....	Hertford Co., 1907..	.....	39	.....	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	21	39
Jackson.....	Northampton, 1882	11	1	.....	12	9	1	1	11	40	48	88
Kelford.....	Bertie Co., 1898....	42	19	5	66	5	3	.....	8	67	80	147
Lawrence's X Ro...	Bertie Co., 1874....	19	4	1	24	7	3	2	12	126	127	253
Lewiston.....	Bertie Co., 1883....	16	17	1	34	4	3	4	11	106	119	225
Lasker.....	Northampton, 1906	8	8	.....	16	3	.....	1	4	34	46	80
Margaretsville....	Northampton, 1889	3	7	.....	10	2	.....	.....	2	23	24	47
Mars Hill.....	Bertie Co., 1854....	30	19	6	55	6	3	5	14	233	244	477
Meherrin.....	Hertford Co., 1729	13	9	5	27	5	4	7	16	189	212	401
Mount Carmel.....	Northampton, 1826	13	.....	3	16	4	4	1	9	94	114	208
Mount Tabor.....	Hertford Co., 1839..	6	8	2	16	9	1	2	12	124	170	294
Murfreesboro.....	Hertford Co., 1843..	8	7	1	16	14	1	.....	15	40	75	115
Oak Grove.....	Hertford Co., 1894..	22	3	1	26	3	1	1	5	69	76	145
Pine Forest.....	Northampton, 1888	1	.....	.....	1	.....	1	6	7	23	25	48
Potecasi.....	Northampton, 1808	22	6	2	30	5	7	2	14	157	178	335
Pleasant Grove....	Hertford Co., 1837..	4	2	1	7	4	2	2	8	99	180	279
Republican.....	Bertie Co., 1803....	41	3	5	49	6	2	3	11	178	244	422
Rich Square.....	Northampton, 1854	11	1	1	13	3	4	2	9	85	112	197
Roanoke.....	Northampton, 1885	.....	3	.....	3	8	2	1	11	28	49	77
Roquist.....	Bertie Co., 1878....	3	1	4	2	.....	1	3	31	36	67	
Robert's Chapel...	Northampton, 1848	.....	9	2	11	37	11	4	52	91	179	270
Ross's.....	Bertie Co., 1804....	64	5	1	70	6	22	2	30	309	457	806
Sandy Run.....	Bertie Co., 1750....	7	5	4	16	12	.....	5	17	106	169	275
Seaboard.....	Northampton, 1889	5	14	.....	19	.....	.....	.....	60	83	148	
Siloam.....	.....	4	4	4	12	2	1	1	4	56	50	106
Seyern.....	Northampton, 1896	1	3	.....	4	3	.....	.....	3	86	70	156
St. John's.....	Hertford Co., 1883..	12	5	1	18	7	.....	4	11	70	91	161
Union.....	Hertford Co., 1885	11	12	.....	23	4	3	1	8	100	103	203
Winton.....	Hertford Co., 1873..	8	1	1	10	34	.....	2	36	72	91	163
Woodland.....	Northampton, 1902	.....	5	1	6	11	5	.....	16	81	70	151
		624	349	84	1057	380	135	111	627	4959	6269	11228

CHURCH STATISTICS—Continued.

CHURCHES.	Pastors and Post Offices.	Clerks and Post Offices.	Sabbath of Preching.	Value of Church Prop'ty.
Ahoskie.....	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie....	Robt. Holloman, Ahoskie..	2—4	\$2625.00
Aulander.....	R. L. Gay, Aulander.....	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander	1—3	2500.00
Bethlehem.....	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie....	A. B. Adkins, Cofield....	1—3	2750.00
Bethany.....		W. W. Perry, Coleraine..	1	1200.00
Brantley's Grove...	S. B. Barnes, Merry Hill	B. F. Barham, Ahoskie..	3	.....
Buckhorn.....	C. W. Scarborough, Murfr	S. P. Winborne, Como...	2—4	2000.00
Capehart's.....	T. T. Speight, Windsor...	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill..	1	1000.00
Cashie.....		W. R. Cobb, Windsor....	1—3	2000.00
Center Grove.....	L. M. Curtis, Ahoskie....	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie..	2	1000.00
Chowan.....	M. A. Adams, Winton....	T. D. Boone, Winton....	1—3	4500.00
Christian Harbor...	M. P. Davis, Coleraine....	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville	1—2	2000.00
Coleraine.....	M. P. Davis, Coleraine....	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine..	3—4	1000.00
Connaritsa.....	T. T. Speight, Windsor...	A. J. Dunning, Aulander..	3	2000.00
Creeksville.....	D. Cale, Potecasi.....	W. H. Davis, Conway....	2	1500.00
Conway.....	W. B. Waff, Murfreesboro.	J. F. Martin, Conway....	2	3000.00
Elam.....	J. R. Taylor, Seaboard...	J. R. Stephenson, Garysb'g	2	1000.00
Galatia.....	D. Cale, Potecasi.....	W. C. Smith, Seaboard..	2	1500.00
Green's X Roads...	C. E. Edwards, Windsor...	W. J. Mizelle, Windsor..	....	.....
Harrellsville.....	M. P. Davis, Coleraine....	D. Taylor, Harrellsville..	....	.....
Hebron.....	L. A. Parker, Menola....	J. K. Revel, Conway.....	4	1300.00
Hillside.....			....	.....
Holly Grove.....	C. E. Edwards, Windsor...	J. H. Bowen, Askewville..	1	1000.00
Holly Springs.....	S. B. Barnes, Merry Hill	C. T. Peale, Tunis.....	3	.....
Jackson.....	J. R. Taylor, Seaboard...	E. Wright, Jackson.....	1	.....
Kelford.....	T. T. Speight, Windsor...	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford...	2	2700.00
Lawrence's X Roads	S. B. Barnes, Merry Hill.	J. R. Phelps, Merry Hill	....	.....
Lewiston.....	R. L. Gay, Aulander.....	W. Modlin, Lewiston....	2—4	2500.00
Lasker.....	S. B. Barnes, Merry Hill	B. C. Lassiter, Lasker...	1—2	1000.00
Margarettsville...	J. Barnes, Pendleton....	A. B. Spivey, Margarville	2	1000.00
Mars Hill.....	M. P. Davis, Coleraine....	B. W. Lee, Coleraine....	3—4	3000.00
Meherrin.....	W. B. Waff, Murfreesboro	J. R. Parker, Murfreesb'o	1	.....
Mount Carmel....	J. R. Taylor, Seaboard...	J. G. Joyner, Seaboard...	4	1000.00
Mount Tabor.....	A. T. Howell, Murfreesboro.	D. L. Parker, Mapleton...	1—3	2000.00
Murfreesboro.....		J. C. Scarborough, Mur'bo.	2—4	2000.00
Oak Grove.....	M. A. Adams, Winton....	S. E. Marsh, Aulander...	....	.....
Pine Forest.....	J. R. Taylor, Seaboard...	J. R. Carstarphen, Gar'sb'g	2	800.00
Potecasi.....	A. T. Howell, Murfreesbo	E. B. Lassiter, Potecasi..	2	.....
Pleasant Grove...	R. L. Gay, Aulander.....	C. C. Tyler, Annetta....	3	.....
Republican.....	T. T. Speight, Windsor...	A. V. Cobb, Windsor....	4	.....
Rich Square.....	J. F. Cale, Roxobel.....	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square	2	1200.00
Roanoke.....	J. R. Taylor, Seaboard...	J. T. Howell, Lasker....	1	1450.00
Roquist.....	C. E. Edwards, Windsor...	J. M. Yates, Windsor....	2	500.00
Robert's Chapel...	C. W. Scarborough, Murfr	J. W. Martin, Conway...	1—3	2000.00
Ross's.....	J. A. Speight, Berkley, Va.	J. T. Hoggard, Windsor..	1	4000.00
Sandy Run.....	D. Cale, Potecasi.....	E. L. Bishop, Roxobel...	4	3000.00
Seaboard.....	J. R. Taylor, Seaboard...	J. S. Gay, Margarettsville	3	1000.00
Siloam.....	B. Leggett, Windsor.....	Lee Bond, Windsor.....	....	1000.00
Severn.....	W. B. Waff, Murfreesboro	W. H. Howell, Severn...	4	.....
St. John's.....	D. Cale, Potecasi.....	S. E. Vaughan, Ahoskie..	1	1200.00
Union.....	M. A. Adams, Winton....	John Freeman, Ahoskie..	2—4	2500.00
Winton.....	W. H. Davis, Winton....	W. H. Lassiter, Winton...	2—4	3000.00
Woodland.....	E. B. Waltz, Woodland...	Lew. McDaniel, Woodland	1	.....

CHURCH EXPENSES.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Repairs to Buildings and Grounds.	Poor Fund.	Minute Fund.	Sunday School.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$ 350.00	\$ 65.69	\$ 55.20	\$ 44.96	\$ 3.00	\$ 116.16	\$ 635.01
Aulander	300.00	72.00	213.68	22.00	2.50	35.00	645.18
Bethlehem	300.00	61.80	.....	15.00	2.50	19.99	399.29
Bethany .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	2.00
Brantley's Grove.....	125.00	220.50	150.00	11.39	2.50	34.14	543.53
Buckhorn	400.00	69.00	.....	.....	2.00	20.36	491.36
Capehart's	200.00	21.00	.....	20.46	2.50	7.73	251.69
Cashie	267.00	70.35	110.00	13.30	2.50	50.54	513.69
Center Grove	160.00	24.00	.....	14.00	2.00	8.00	208.00
Chowan	400.00	60.00	209.44	14.55	2.50	42.88	731.37
Christian Harbor	162.50	20.20	3.03	35.14	1.50	13.80	236.22
Coleraine	225.00	36.63	68.03	22.76	3.06	26.16	381.64
Connaritsa	200.00	25.37	16.71	28.93	2.50	.....	273.51
Creeksville	100.00	8.00	5.00	.....	1.25	5.35	19.05
Conway	150.00	.....	846.94	11.27	2.00	11.50	1021.70
Elam	200.00	.....	.....	10.00	1.50	18.00	229.50
Galatia	150.00	18.10	50	35.51	2.00	5.70	213.81
Green's X Roads....	125.00	20.15	.....	16.50	1.50	13.66	176.81
Harrellsville	225.00	33.00	40.00	.....	2.30	10.52	310.82
Hebron	150.00	25.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	177.00
Hillside .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	75
Holly Grove	150.00	17.75	37.06	15.20	2.50	27.75	250.26
Holly Springs	60.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	9.00	70.00
Jackson	145.84	32.00	.....	.....	1.00	27.05	205.89
Kelford	200.00	36.00	.....	.....	1.00	82.53	319.53
Lawrence's X Roads.	150.00	20.00	.....	14.25	1.40	.....	185.65
Lewiston	400.00	20.74	7.65	56.57	2.50	32.75	520.21
Lasker	250.00	4.19	800.00	.....	1.00	.....	1055.19
Margarettsville	100.00	20.00	.....	.....	.....	25.00	145.00
Mars Hill	212.50	94.34	.....	20.85	2.15	7.20	337.04
Meherrin	350.00	29.61	25.75	6.75	2.50	.....	414.61
Mount Carmel.....	175.00	20.00	175.00	.....	.....	15.67	385.67
Mount Tabor	350.00	12.45	.....	26.41	2.00	42.44	433.30
Murfreesboro	400.00	134.80	.....	43.87	2.00	62.09	642.76
Oak Grove	100.00	20.34	50.00	.....	1.00	24.00	195.34
Pine Forest	100.00	.....	.....	.....	75	2.88	103.63
Potecasi	200.00	48.90	.....	9.55	2.50	29.56	290.51
Pleasant Grove	200.00	45.33	.....	.....	2.50	4.25	252.08
Republican	200.00	.....	25.00	65.00	3.00	20.66	313.66
Rich Square	175.00	30.00	.....	20.00	.....	57.00	282.00
Roanoke	82.65	.....	.....	.....	1.00	9.36	93.01
Roquist	75.00	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	75.50
Robert's Chapel.....	350.00	35.00	260.00	32.50	3.00	20.61	701.11
Ross's	200.00	23.50	9.05	30.03	3.00	5.30	270.88
Sandy Run	200.00	16.20	20.00	14.57	1.50	25.61	277.88
Seaboard	150.00	35.00	.....	.....	.....	12.00	197.00
Siloam	40.00	3.25	66.85	.....	1.00	3.00	114.10
Severn	200.00	40.00	600.00	31.85	2.50	29.39	903.74
St. John's	100.00	6.00	.....	7.15	.....	6.00	119.15
Union	350.00	88.92	60.50	3.07	2.50	.....	504.99
Winton	300.00	36.00	.....	.....	2.00	43.00	381.00
Woodland	150.00	35.53	.....	3.65	2.00	32.02	223.20
	10305.49	1756.64	3860.39	715.44	92.21	1094.81	17824.98

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Off. and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Vol. in Library.	Papers taken.	Months open.	Aver. Attend.	Superintendents and P. O.
Ahoskie.....	12	175	187	....	300	12	120	A. O. Kiff, Ahoskie.
Aulander.....	10	206	216	75	....	12	....	C. J. Joyner, Aulander.
Bethlehem.....	12	82	94	217	160	9	52	W. J. Thomas, Cofield.
Bethany.....	9	80	89	....	50	8	55	W. C. Hughes, Coleraine.
Brantley's Grove...	10	82	92	40	104	9	55	G. T. Hoggard, Ahoskie.
Buckhorn.....	11	125	136	112	120	12	84	R. A. Majette, Como.
Capehart's.....	13	122	135	50	82	7	90	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill.
Cashie.....	12	138	150	100	150	12	75	T. Gillam, Windsor.
Center Grove.....	8	87	95	....	120	9	50	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.
Chowan.....	9	75	84	....	115	12	65	J. E. Vann, Winton.
Christian Harbor...	9	93	102	....	124	12	54	J. W. Holloman, Harrellsville.
Coleraine.....	8	80	88	....	80	12	50	D. R. Britton, Coleraine.
Connaritsa.....	11	75	86	50	80	9	45	C. C. Jenkins, Aulander.
Creeksville.....	15	109	124	....	400	....	95	Edwin Lassiter, Conway.
Conway.....	9	55	64	....	165	12	64	R. T. White, Conway.
Elam.....	8	65	73	....	925	12	40	C. L. Stephenson, Gumberry.
Galatia.....	11	91	102	20	95	9	47	J. W. Rose, Margarettsville.
Green's X Roads...	6	112	118	....	393	9	75	C. W. Mizelle, Windsor.
Harrellsville.....	8	60	68	....	90	12	29	D. Taylor, Harrellsville.
Hebron.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Hillside.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Holly Grove.....	9	91	100	50	100	8	54	W. H. Bryant, Cremo.
Holly Springs.....	9	91	100	....	121	9	45	W. E. Perry, Ahoskie.
Jackson.....	11	55	66	50	95	12	40	R. W. Fleetwood, Jackson.
Kelford.....	10	107	117	50	189	12	66	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford.
Lawrence's X Ro...	9	53	62	50	40	9	25	J. R. Phelps, Merry Hill.
Lewiston.....	10	123	133	80	190	12	85	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston.
Lasker.....	8	100	108	....	100	12	65	W. R. Bridgers, Lasker.
Margarettsville...	6	31	37	50	35	12	18	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville.
Mars Hill.....	8	119	127	....	60	9	80	Josiah Brown, Coleraine.
Meherrin.....	13	75	88	30	80	12	60	J. K. Parker, Murfreesboro.
Mount Carmel.....	10	79	89	79	124	12	64	T. J. Stephenson, Seaboard.
Mount Tabor.....	13	103	116	....	175	12	67	J. W. Boone, Winton.
Murfreesboro.....	20	120	140	100	208	12	90	H. V. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.
Oak Grove.....	9	75	84	....	100	12	35	A. Saunders, Aulander.
Pine Forest.....	4	30	34	....	36	12	20	W. T. Carstarphen, Garysburg.
Potecasi.....	12	95	107	35	190	12	60	E. B. Lassiter, Potecasi.
Pleasant Grove.....	8	42	50	....	42	....	37	A. J. Futrell, Woodland.
Republican.....	11	60	71	50	100	12	45	G. W. White, Aulander.
Rich Square.....	9	129	138	....	184	12	68	J. P. Holloman, Rich Square.
Roanoke.....	6	71	77	....	298	12	41	W. J. Lassiter, Lasker.
Roquist.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Robert's Chapel...	11	64	75	210	150	12	64	B. F. Martin, Conway.
Ross's.....	6	102	108	....	67	7	45	Worley Cowan, Windsor.
Sandy Run.....	11	140	151	....	175	12	70	P. C. Jenkins, Roxobel.
Seaboard.....	8	60	68	137	80	12	35	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard.
Siloam.....	7	28	35	....	24	12	20	E. Leggett, Windsor.
Severn.....	20	109	129	....	166	12	75	J. L. Joyner, Severn.
Saint John's.....	7	84	91	....	75	9	45	R. L. Edwards, Ahoskie.
Union.....	18	94	112	165	155	12	88	John Freeman, Ahoskie.
Winton.....	10	79	89		50	12	57	E. C. Hobbs, Winton.
Woodland.....	8	90	98	35	120	12	70	C. H. Griffin, Woodland.
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MISSIONARY SOCIETY AND SUNBEAM STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONARY SOCIETIES. President's and Post Offices.	Members.	SUNBEAMS. Presidents and P. O.
Ahoskie.....	Mrs. R. E. Cowan, Ahoskie.....	38	Miss Mary Wynne, Ahoskie.
Aulander.....	Mrs. P. A. Mitchell, Aulander....	...	Miss Lillie Rice, Aulander.
Bethlehem.....	M. G. Thomas, Cofield.....	12	Annie Sue Britton, Cofield.
Bethany.....	Helen Baker, Coleraine.....	...	
Brantley's Grove...	Mrs. J. A. Greene, Ahoskie....	112	
Buckhorn.....	Miss Josephene Vann, Como....	26	Helen Majette, Como.
Capehart's.....	Mrs. Wally Miller, Merry Hill....	50	
Cashie.....	Mrs. A. Burden, Windsor.....	40	Miss Whittie Gurley, Windsor.
Center Grove.....		...	
Chowan.....	Mrs. Willie Daniel, Winton....	...	Miss Lila Brett, Winton.
Christian Harbor...	Sue E. Britt, Harrellsville.....	10	
Coleraine.....	Mrs. M. P. Davis, Coleraine.....	17	Mrs. M. P. Davis, Coleraine.
Connaritsa.....		...	
Creeksville.....	Bessie M. Smith, Conway.....	75	
Conway.....	Mary Martin, Conway.....	23	
Elam.....		...	
Galatia.....	M. J. Taylor, Seaboard.....	67	
Green's X Roads...	Martha P. Asbell, Windsor.....	61	
Harrellsville.....	Mrs. A. C. Williams, Harrellsville	24	Miss A. Livermon, Harrellsville.
Hebron.....		...	
Hillside.....		...	
Holly Grove.....	Mrs. Sallie Barnes, Cremo.....	34	
Holly Springs.....		...	
Jackson.....	Mrs. S. J. Colvert, Jackson.....	8	Mrs. M. A. Bradley, Jackson.
Kelford.....	Mrs. M. W. Harrell, Kelford....	14	Hugh Cobb, Kelford.
Lawrence's X Ro.	Caroline E. Britt, Merry Hill....	46	
Lewiston.....	Mrs. T. H. Bridgers, Lewiston...	56	A. N. Bazemore, Lewiston.
Lasker.....	Mrs. R. P. Morehead, Lasker....	29	
Margarettsville....	Miss M. Stancell, Margarettsville	20	
Mars Hill.....	Mrs. McHarrell, Coleraine.....	9	
Meherrin.....	Mrs. P. C. Parker, Murfreesboro.	48	Mrs. W. R. Chitty, Murfreesbo.
Mount Carmel.....	Bettie J. McGlawhan, Seaboard..	28	Emma Taylor, Seaboard.
Mount Tabor.....	Mrs. E. B. Vaughan, Mapleton...	59	
Murfreesboro.....	Mrs. J. C. Scarborough, Murfreesb.	...	Pearla Watson, Murfreesboro.
Oak Grove.....	Christiana Marsh, Aulander.....	25	
Pine Forest.....		...	
Potecasi.....	Mrs. C. R. Harrell, Potecasi.....	...	Lillian Johnson, Potecasi.
Pleasant Grove....	Mrs. C. C. Tyler, Annetta.....	25	
Republican.....	Miss Blanch Pritchard, Aulander	27	Roberta Peele, Lewiston.
Rich Square.....		...	
Roanoke.....	Mrs. S. W. Burnette, Rehoboth..	27	
Roquist.....		...	
Robert's Chapel...	Lennie Stephenson, Pendleton....	...	
Ross's.....		...	
Sandy Run.....	Mrs. J. F. Cale, Roxobel.....	26	Mrs. M. F. Raby, Roxobel.
Seaboard.....	Mrs. J. R. Taylor, Seaboard.....	21	Miss W. M. Stephenson, Seab'd.
Siloam.....		...	
Severn.....	Mrs. J. J. White, Severn.....	16	Mary E. Long, Severn.
Saint John's.....	Mrs. Lucy A. Britton, Ahoskie....	55	
Union.....	Mrs. J. P. Freeman, Ahoskie.....	...	Bloomer Wynns, Ahoskie.
Winton.....	Mrs. H. H. Jones, Winton.....	12	
Woodland.....	Mrs. A. P. Griffin, Woodland....	...	

FINANCIAL TABLE—CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$ 92.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 37.80	\$ 20.00	\$ 21.14	\$ 47.10	\$ 303.04
Anulander	50.00	50.00	50.00	.....	133.00	20.00	5.00	40.00	348.00
Bethlehem	50.00	21.00	45.00	44.88	167.00	21.00	5.00	61.98	353.88
Bethany	18.00	12.00	18.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	25.00	78.00
Brantley's Grove.	22.00	17.65	22.50	8.23	.....	5.00	4.07	9.42	88.87
Buckhorn	60.00	30.00	100.00	.....	.....	28.00	.....	161.00	379.00
Capehart's	45.00	20.00	35.00	21.87	27.60	6.00	.....	37.46	192.93
Cashie	30.27	11.29	39.45	61.22	.....	9.28	4.00	1.43	156.94
Center Grove....	37.00	18.00	27.00	.....	.....	7.00	5.00	.....	94.00
Chowan	32.33	23.29	31.60	10.70	98.00	20.00	5.00	54.00	274.92
Christian Harbor	26.55	15.53	31.72	39.01	29.00	5.00	4.91	4.50	156.22
Coleraine	42.75	25.00	59.75	23.00	30.65	12.00	12.70	45.86	251.71
Connaritsa	27.50	22.00	27.50	21.85	54.73	10.00	.....	40.00	176.08
Creeksville	15.00	15.00	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	50.00
Conway	25.00	12.00	30.00	10.00	20.00	8.00	5.00	.....	110.00
Elam	22.50	12.50	32.50	10.46	.....	7.50	5.00	5.00	95.46
Galatia	21.00	16.00	22.00	4.58	.....	5.00	.....	24.56	93.14
Green's X Roads	18.00	12.00	18.00	6.00	.....	2.00	1.65	.....	57.65
Harrellsville	38.74	15.00	47.23	30.00	65.75	5.00	1.41	44.04	247.17
Hebron	25.00	13.00	35.00	54.45	35.00	6.00	.....	40.00	208.45
Hillside .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holly Grove	18.00	12.00	22.00	.....	50.00	8.00	1.00	45.60	156.60
Holly Springs ...	3.50	.....	.....	3.05	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.55
Jackson	25.00	18.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	5.00	.....	32.50	145.50
Kelford	25.00	25.00	25.00	15.50	33.30	5.00	.....	47.50	128.80
Lawrence's X Ro.	27.33	10.00	25.00	12.28	.....	4.00	6.67	31.22	116.50
Lewiston	89.79	20.00	35.00	13.09	.....	10.00	15.00	.....	182.88
Lasker	13.17	5.91	6.58	2.89	.....	.....	3.25	.....	31.80
Margaretsville ..	16.00	14.00	16.00	.....	45.00	6.00	.....	25.00	122.00
Mars Hill.....	53.11	35.26	160.00	150.30	107.80	5.00	3.15	16.32	530.84
Meherrin	50.00	38.57	37.92	10.00	.....	10.00	2.43	.....	148.72
Mount Carmel..	7.06	16.67	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32.73
Mount Tabor	35.00	25.00	40.00	37.00	67.00	7.00	.....	99.36	310.36
Murfreesboro	50.00	35.00	50.00	28.15	.....	15.00	10.00	38.15	226.30
Oak Grove	16.21	9.00	15.58	5.53	25.55	3.00	2.26	12.90	90.03
Pine Forest	14.23	8.00	12.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34.23
Potocasi	30.00	20.00	25.00	34.17	.....	11.00	3.01	26.00	149.18
Pleasant Grove ..	50.00	19.12	25.00	18.65	.....	5.00	.....	5.00	122.77
Republican	28.00	15.00	30.00	.....	10.85	7.00	8.55	34.11	133.51
Rich Square	30.00	10.00	20.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	1.55	66.55
Roanoke	8.00	5.00	8.50	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	23.50
Roquist	6.00	6.00	6.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	20.00
Robert's Chapel..	45.00	25.00	70.00	.....	78.00	22.00	37.23	51.00	277.23
Ross's	35.00	15.00	30.00	10.21	.....	5.00	.....	74.59	169.80
Sandy Run	30.00	30.00	30.00	6.00	.....	10.00	.....	8.25	114.25
Seaboard	22.00	13.00	16.00	.....	.....	5.00	1.50	12.50	70.00
Siloam .....	.....	3.00	3.00	.....	.....	2.00	.....	5.26	13.26
Severn	28.00	20.00	35.00	.....	.....	8.00	5.00	38.50	134.50
Saint John's	16.00	10.00	20.00	6.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	25.55	95.55
Union	45.00	30.00	30.00	26.01	50.00	10.00	10.00	101.00	302.01
Winton	20.00	15.00	15.00	2.33	.....	10.00	.....	.....	62.33
Woodland	20.00	15.00	25.00	13.44	.....	6.00	.....	37.50	116.94
	1555.04	904.09	1594.83	780.87	1247.58	393.78	192.48	1368.21	8011.21

FINANCIAL TABLE—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 60.00	\$ 5.37	\$ 65.37
Aulander				84.00		84.00
Bethlehem						
Bethany						
Brantley's Grove.....						
Buckhorn				78.38		78.38
Capehart's				5.00	6.70	11.70
Cashie	32.73	5.92		30.10		68.75
Center Grove.....				56.00		56.00
Chowan				177.93		177.93
Christian Harbor						
Coleraine				30.80	3.50	34.30
Connaritsa						
Creeksville						
Conway				2.00	3.00	5.00
Elam	5.00	1.00	2.00	50.00		58.00
Galatia					2.00	2.00
Green's X Roads.....				10.80		10.00
Harrellsville				30.00		30.00
Hebron						
Hillside						
Holly Grove.....	3.00			16.71		16.71
Holly Springs.....						
Jackson				1.67		1.67
Kelford			4.70	19.23		23.93
Lawrence's X Roads.....				2.56		2.56
Lewiston				63.30		63.30
Lasker						
Margarettsville				12.00		12.00
Mars Hill						
Meherrin	1.00	1.50		19.00	26.35	47.85
Mount Carmel				20.45		20.45
Mount Tabor				70.41	5.00	75.41
Murfreesboro	4.03	15.00		56.31		75.34
Oak Grove						
Pine Forest				3.75		3.75
Potecasi				48.89		48.89
Pleasant Grove						
Republican				62.00	6.00	68.00
Rich Square						
Roanoke					6.19	6.19
Roquist						
Robert's Chapel.....	4.84	3.57	15.57	73.90	3.60	101.48
Ross's				9.00		9.00
Sandy Run				82.51	8.00	90.51
Seaboard				18.63		18.63
Siloam						
Severn				70.44	2.50	72.94
St. John's				12.00		12.00
Union				75.00	53.00	128.00
Winton				4.50	8.40	12.90
Woodland	12.99	3.70	7.05	25.58	6.50	55.82
	63.59	30.60	29.32	1382.85	146.11	1646.51

FINANCIAL TABLE—Continued.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONARY SOCIETY						SUNBEAMS.						Total Benevo- lences in all
	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Other Objects.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Colleges and Schools.	Other Objects.	Total Missions.	
Ahoskie	\$ 7.50	\$ 7.50	\$29.93	\$.....	\$ 5.00	\$8.99	\$.....	\$.....	\$11.11	\$1.45	\$4.50	\$ 80.98	\$ 449.
Aulander	10.00	15.00	12.00	.....	.....	10.05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.05	439.
Bethlehem	6.60	3.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.60	396.
Bethany .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78.
Brantley's Grove .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88.
Buckhorn	5.82	66.21	27.30	.....	.....	.....	8.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	107.73	565.
Capehart's	12.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.00	216.
Cashie	30.00	15.75	25.00	.....	.....	.....	16.13	.....	42.12	.....	42.92	171.92	397.
Center Grove .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150.
Chowan	25.00	30.00	30.00	86.00	17.50	.....	17.47	.....	3.40	.....	.....	129.37	582.
Christian Harbor .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	156.
Coleraine	9.35	8.90	11.58	12.75	.....	.....	2.00	4.09	1.60	.....	.....	50.27	335.
Connaritsa .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	176.
Creeksville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.
Conway	7.35	7.35	10.35	24.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49.05	164.
Elam .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	153.
Galatia .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	95.
Green's X Roads .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67.
Harrellsville	5.00	26.50	24.25	12.00	.....	.....	.....	3.22	3.22	.....	12.17	86.36	363.
Hebron .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	208.
Hillside .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holly Grove.....	4.00	5.25	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.25	192.
Holly Springs .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.
Jackson	1.55	1.50	2.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.30	152.
Kelford	9.95	3.75	3.75	.....	.....	1.00	6.80	4.60	5.80	.....	1.00	36.65	189.
Lawrence's X Ro.	9.00	.....	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.00	137.
Lewiston	7.88	.....	2.43	.....	.....	.....	2.85	.....	11.00	.....	.....	24.16	270.
Lasker .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31.
Margarettsville	5.50	9.55	6.55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21.60	155.
Mars Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	530.
Meherrin	5.40	2.00	8.50	10.00	.....	.....	2.00	3.95	2.10	.....	.....	33.95	230.
Mount Carmel....	4.00	2.95	4.00	.....	.....	.....	6.66	6.66	6.66	.....	.....	30.93	84.
Mount Tabor .....	.....	33.48	25.06	.....	.....	3.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61.89	447.
Murfreesboro	15.00	32.00	36.47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.47	.....	.....	.....	96.
Oak Grove .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90.
Pine Forest.....	3.10	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.10	46.
Potecasi	27.28	3.56	3.56	.....	.....	10.45	2.35	.....	3.35	.....	.....	50.55	246.
Pleasant Grove .....	.....	3.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.70	126.
Republican	11.05	3.35	4.00	.....	.....	.....	3.27	.....	3.00	.....	.....	24.67	216.
Rich Square .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	66.
Roanoke .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.
Roquist .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.
Robert's Chapel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.79	2.95	.....	.....	.....	18.74	397.
Ross's .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	178.
Sandy Run	6.35	2.35	7.20	12.25	.....	.....	.....	1.57	.....	1.15	2.58	33.45	238.
Seaboard	5.00	5.00	8.00	.....	.....	1.00	3.49	.....	5.18	.....	.....	27.67	116.
Siloam .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.
Severn	5.93	4.55	14.16	.....	.....	2.10	1.24	3.15	3.00	.....	3.16	34.13	241.
Saint John's .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	107.
Union	15.00	15.00	10.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55.00	585.
Winton	3.50	3.50	18.52	.....	.....	3.00	1.55	1.55	1.56	.....	3.00	36.18	111.
Woodland .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	95	.....	1.72	.....	.....	2.67	175.
	253.11	316.78	346.86	157.00	23.00	44.84	90.95	31.74	131.83	2.60	69.35	1386.07	11043.

Ministerial Education: Ahoskie, \$5.00; Union, \$10.00; Total, \$15.00.

MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

WEST CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

AULANDER BAPTIST CHURCH
BERTIE CO., N. C.

OCTOBER 27, 28 AND 29, 1908

The next Session will be held with Bethlehem Church, Hertford County
beginning on Tuesday after the Fourth Sunday in October, 1909

R. D. Stephenson to preach the Introductory Sermon

A. C. Sherwood, Alternate

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Foreign Missions—C. W. Scarborough, C. H. Griffin, W. G. Burden.
 State Missions—A. C. Sherwood, D. N. Stephenson, S. B. Barnes.
 Home Missions—W. B. Waff, E. Wright, H. E. Wilson.
 Ministers' Relief—T. T. Speight, W. H. Howell, Guy Picot.
 C. B. F. Institute—R. D. Stephenson, C. F. Griffin, B. F. Martin.
 Baptist Orphanage—M. P. Davis, J. T. Williams, C. G. Powell.
 Education—T. Gilliam, Paul J. Long, T. E. Brown.
 Church Statistics—W. L. Davis, J. S. Mitchell, J. P. Holloman.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Dancy Cale	Potecasi, N. C.
M. L. Green.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
S. B. Barnes.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
C. W. Scarborough.....	Murfreesboro, N. C.
T. T. Speight.....	Windsor, N. C.
R. T. White.....	Conway, N. C.
J. R. Mathews.....	Aulander, N. C.
A. T. Howell.....	Murfreesboro, N. C.
M. A. Adams.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
C. E. Edwards.....	Windsor, N. C.
R. L. Gay.....	Aulander, N. C.
M. P. Davis.....	Coleraine, N. C.
J. F. Cale.....	Roxobel, N. C.
L. A. Parker.....	Menola, N. C.
John Barnes	Pendleton, N. C.
W. B. Waff.....	Conway, N. C.
J. A. Speight.....	Berkley, Va.
A. C. Sherwood.....	Winton, N. C.
R. D. Stephenson.....	Windsor, N. C.
A. Cree	Embro, N. C.

OFFICERS.

W. P. Shaw, Sr., Moderator.....	Winton, N. C.
J. H. Mathews, Vice-Moderator.....	Windsor, N. C.
N. W. Britton, Clerk.....	Winton, N. C.
J. P. Freeman, Treasurer.....	Union, N. C.
J. F. Cale, Historian.....	Roxobel, N. C.

The officers constitute the Executive Committee of the Association.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the North Carolina West Chowan Baptist Association.

MEMBERSHIP.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: Provided, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECTS.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

Art. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative council, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but can not bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for dismission.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the Minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality; (2) the names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post-offices; (3) the Sabbaths of regular service; (4) the church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled and aggregate membership, male and female; (5) Sabbath School statistics; (6) amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund; (7) names of delegates and alternates; (8) any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session,

after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order, and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian, who shall be elected at each annual meeting of the body to report at the next succeeding meeting, to prepare for publication in the Minutes an historical sketch of the church with which the Association meets, with obituaries, incidents and other facts of the year that should be preserved.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved, 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. (Adopted 1898.)

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that selling intoxicating liquors through a dispensary is a violation of the spirit and letter of the resolution of our Constitution. (1905.)

 RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

11:00 a. m.—Introductory Sermon.

12:00 m. —Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.

12:30 p. m.—Recess.

2:00 p. m.—Report of Committee on Credentials; organize, read Constitution; call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at last session; receive new churches; invite visitors; appoint Committees.

3:00 p. m.—Report on C. B. F. Institute.

4:00 p. m.—Assignment of homes.
Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.

9:45 a. m.—Routine Business.

10:00 a. m.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.

11:00 a. m.—Report on Foreign Missions.

12:00 m. —Report on State Missions.

1:00 p. m.—Recess.

2:40 p. m.—Report on Home Missions.

3:40 p. m.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.

4:00 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business.

Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.

9:45 a. m.—Routine Business.

10:00 a. m.—Report on Education.

11:00 a. m.—Report on Church Statistics.

11:30 a. m.—Report of Committees.

12:00 m. —Miscellaneous Business.

Adjournment.

M. P. DAVIS,

R. L. GAY,

T. T. SPEIGHT,

Committee.

PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, October 27, 1908.

The West Chowan Association meets this day in its twenty-sixth annual session with Aulander Baptist Church, Bertie County.

A. T. Howell preaches the introductory sermon from Song of Solomon, 5th chapter and 16th verse.

The Moderator, W. P. Shaw, called the Association to order, after which the roll of churches was called and the delegates enrolled as follows:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Ahoskie—W. H. Miller, J. E. Lang, *Hord Newsome.
Aulander—R. J. Dunning, E. L. Rice, *Hufham Early.
Bethlehem—W. P. Shaw, R. P. Thomas, A. Bass.
Bethany—J. R. Byrum, W. D. Robertson.
Brantley's Grove—*M. L. Green, J. T. Cowan, B. F. Barham.
Buckhorn—Hugh Lee, G. C. Picot, H. McD. Spiers.
Capehart's—H. J. Ward, F. P. Britt, S. A. Adams.
Cashie—J. H. Mathews, C. A. Cooke, T. H. Johnson.
Center Grove—C. S. Godwin, E. W. Holloman, Floyd Holloman.
Chowan—W. P. Taylor, N. W. Britton.
Christian Harbor—*J. H. Myers, J. H. Evans, J. T. Colson.
Coleraine—M. D. Harrell, H. E. Wilson, Calvin Peele, *E. L. Evans.
Connaritsa—W. G. Burden, Josiah Early, J. S. Jenkins.
Creeksville—J. J. Davis, N. T. Smith, *F. W. Bridgers.
Conway—*J. M. Burgess, *B. J. Ricks.
Elam—*Bernard Stephenson, *J. E. Daniel, *T. J. Bass.
Galatia—Nezzie Davis, *J. W. Taylor, H. P. Spencer, W. E. Davis.
Green's Cross Roads—G. W. Castellow, W. H. Mizelle, *M. D. Cale.
Harrellsville—J. T. Williams, W. E. Miller, A. C. Holloman.
Hebron—Herbert Jenkins, J. P. Griffin, W. A. Futrell.
Hillside—F. M. Thomson, *C. E. Hobbs.
Holly Grove—J. W. Mitchell, *M. R. Barnes.
Holly Springs—W. D. McGlawghan, W. E. Perry.
Jackson—Edwin Wright, *Paul J. Long.
Kelford—C. L. L. Cobb, W. C. Evans.
Lasker—W. R. Bridgers, J. V. Holloman.
Lawrence's Cross Roads—J. W. Langdale, *E. White, *J. R. Phelps.
Lewiston—T. S. Lassiter, W. H. Taylor, J. J. Barnes.
Margarettsville—Jordan Edwards, J. G. Stancell.
Mars Hill—D. W. Britton, Walter Lowe, L. P. Freeman, J. F. White.
Meherrin—W. S. Nelson, J. T. Chitty, *B. A. Porter, J. J. Parker.
Mt. Carmel—*J. L. Pruden, L. L. Taylor, J. R. Stephenson.
Mt. Tabor—C. W. Stephenson, J. A. Parker, *T. E. Brown.
Murfreesboro—J. C. Scarborough, J. D. Babb, R. Sewell.
Oak Grove—A. E. Saunders, S. E. Marsh.
Pine Forest—*J. A. Collier, *J. R. Carstarphen.
Potocasi—J. A. Parker, C. R. Harrell, C. G. Powell.
Pleasant Grove—A. P. Joyner, J. S. Hughes, C. A. Dunning.
Republican—J. H. Burden, G. W. White, A. V. Cobb, Levi Hoggard.
Rich Square—J. P. Holloman, J. T. Bolton.
Roanoke—R. J. Burnette, J. L. Newsome.
Roumist—J. E. Tadlock, J. G. Pritchard.
Robert's Chapel—D. N. Stephenson, *W. M. Watson, *B. F. Martin.
Ross's—J. T. Hoggard, G. C. White, J. B. Mitchell, E. P. White.

*Absent.

Sandy Run—J. H. Liverman, C. C. Tyler, P. C. Jenkins, J. E. Teaster.

Seaboard—J. R. Crocker, J. S. Gay.

Siloam—W. T. Asbell, Lewis H. Speller.

Severn—W. H. Howell, P. M. Fleetwood, G. D. Barnes, R. E. Maddrey.

St. John's—S. E. Vaughan, M. J. Brett.

Union—J. P. Freeman, G. B. Vaughan.

Winton—T. L. Lassiter, J. S. Mitchell, W. J. Perry.

Woodland—C. H. Griffin, J. P. Blanchard, D. E. Bridgers.

The Moderator appointed J. C. Scarborough, D. W. Britton and D. N. Stephenson a Committee on Credentials.

C. W. Mitchell, of Aulander Church, made the address of welcome, to which R. D. Stephenson responded.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock. Prayer by J. A. Speight.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and was led in prayer by M. A. Adams.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the churches in accord with the Constitution.

Next business was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: W. P. Shaw, Moderator; J. H. Mathews, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; J. P. Freeman, Treasurer; J. F. Cale, Historian.

The Constitution and Rules of Order were read by M. P. Davis.

Menola Baptist Church, which was recently constituted, made application for membership in this body. A committee consisting of C. W. Scarborough, S. B. Barnes, R. L. Gay, W. B. Waff and A. T. Howell was appointed to examine the covenant and articles of faith of said church. This committee reported favorably and the church was admitted to membership in the Association.

J. S. Farmer, representing the *Biblical Recorder*; Livingston Johnson, Secretary of the State Mission Board; J. B. Newton, W. L. Britt, A. A. Crater, A. Johnson, Editor of *Charity and Children*; F. D. Winston and C. J. D. Parker were at different times recognized as visitors and welcomed to seats in the Association.

A. C. Sherwood, R. D. Stephenson and J. F. Cale are new pastors in this Association.

P. M. Fleetwood, C. S. Godwin, J. D. Babb were appointed a Committee on Finance.

A committee consisting of A. T. Howell, T. T. Speight and J. F. Cale were appointed to arrange for a suitable memorial service, at some time during this session, of the late L. M. Curtis.

A. T. Howell read the report on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

There is no more gratifying development in the denomination than the growing interest of Southern Baptists in their Home Mission work. Leading men among us have of late freely published their conviction that this department of our work is of great strategic importance and should be enlarged without delay.

The Home Mission Board is stronger in the confidence of Southern Baptists to-day than ever before in the sixty-three years of its history. The work it has

accomplished and is accomplishing well merits this confidence. Thousands of churches, houses of worship in almost every city and many country places, and tens of thousands of converts are monuments to its faithfulness and effectiveness as a denominational agent. The partial summary of the work done by the Board's independent and cooperative workers during the past year shows how signal has been this success:

Sermons and addresses.....	126,239
Prayer meetings	13,794
Religious visits	227,474
Baptisms	22,402
Received by letter.....	18,015
Total additions to churches.....	40,417
Churches constituted	337
Houses of worship built and improved.....	338
Sunday Schools organized.....	1,057
Bibles and Testaments distributed.....	26,837

In addition to the above there were 327 conversions in the Board's twenty-four mountain schools.

It will be seen that there were more than 100 additions to the churches for each day in the year.

Figures can not tell the story of holy Christian influence exerted by these workers, nor the power in life, experience and character of 226,239 sermons and 227,474 religious visits.

The denomination showed its growing appreciation of this work by increasing its contributions to Home Missions by \$27,308.94, the total contribution being \$248,138.17; this Association giving \$1,077.50.

A committee consisting of two brethren from each State was appointed at Hot Springs to name a reasonable sum to be raised for Home Missions this year and to suggest an apportionment of the amount among the States. The sum decided upon as reasonable was \$325,000, which was divided in just proportion among the several States, the amount suggested for North Carolina being \$25,000.

While this apportionment is only a suggestion, yet with the history of the work before us, and especially in view of the success of last year, we feel that every effort should be made to realize every dollar of the \$25,000 suggested for our State. We recommend, therefore, that this Association heartily cooperate in the effort to raise this amount for the support of a work which has been so signally blessed of God, and which has accomplished so much good.

The South presents great Home Mission needs today. 'Southern cities are multiplying and growing in size and wickedness; floods of foreigners are coming in who must be saved or they will lower our standard of civilization; baneful heresies are being propagated in our midst; vast regions of destitution exist, especially in the Southwest; three thousand homeless churches call to us for shelters under which to worship our God; Cuba, the Isle of Pines and Panama hold out appealing hands for the bread of life; the success of our mountain school work, as well as appalling need, encourage enlargement.

What answer will this Association make to these appeals? What will it do with this opportunity and this sacred duty? Your Committee recommends: (1) That we as an Association endeavor this year to increase our contributions to Home Missions in proportion to the advance recommended by the Southern Baptist Convention; (2) that, in order to inform our people concerning this work and make possible the raising of this amount, pastors and others be requested to secure and circulate among our people the free literature of the Home Board; (3) that the messengers of each church in the Association be requested to secure at once a club of at least ten new subscribers to *Our Home Field*, the beautiful 36-page magazine published by the Home Board at 25 cents a year; and (4) that we encourage our women to cooperate with the Woman's Missionary Union of the South in raising the \$85,000 which the Union proposes to secure for Home Missions this year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. HOWELL.
A. W. EARLY.
J. P. FREEMAN.

This report was spoken to by A. T. Howell, J. C. Scarborough, C. W. Scarborough, W. L. Britt.

The roll of churches was called and pledges were made for next year. The report was adopted.

The Moderator appointed the pastor and deacons of Aulander Church as Committee on Religious Services during this session.

The Association adjourned with prayer by J. J. Barnes.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by T. T. Speight, after which the business of the day was taken up.

The Statistical Report was read and adopted.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

	1908	1907
Number churches in the Association.....	52	.....
Number churches reported by letter.....	52	51
Number churches having pastors.....	52	48
Number churches having preaching two Sundays per month	12	16
Number churches having Sunday schools.....	50	49
Number scholars in Sunday Schools.....	4,954	4,510
Number baptisms during the year.....	402	624
Total membership of churches.....	11,356	11,228
Total church expenses.....	\$22,698.58	\$17,824.98
Total value of church property.....	79,500.00	70,725.00
Number of churches contributing to Foreign Missions....	52	51
Number of churches contributing to State Missions.....	52	50
Number of churches contributing to Home Missions.....	49	51
Number of churches contributing to Ministers' Relief....	21	33
Number of churches contributing to Orphanage.....	44	49
Number of churches contributing to Ministerial Education.	43	48
Contributions to Foreign Missions.....	\$2,289.63	\$2,104.52
Contributions to State Missions.....	1,975.92	1,854.34
Contributions to Home Missions.....	1,385.00	1,182.56
Contributions to Orphanage.....	2,461.41	2,276.96
Contributions to Ministerial Education.....	475.96	478.94
Contributions to Ministers' Relief.....	106.98	173.38
Contributions to schools and colleges.....	749.51	1,200.58
Total of the above contributions.....	\$9,444.41	\$9,300.74

On motion it was ordered that the word "laymen," under Article XV of the Constitution, be stricken out.

REPORT ON C. B. F. INSTITUTE.

The Chowan Baptist Female Institute is doing good work and maintaining her standard of excellency. There are now 50 boarding pupils and about 80 day pupils receiving instruction under the direction of an efficient faculty of well-selected teachers. The only changes this year in the faculty are, Misses Vorn and Shields have the departments of Expression and Music and each is well qualified for her respective work.

THE DEBT.

It is imperative that the debt be reduced as rapidly as possible. A canvass of 35 days was made by M. A. Adams, which resulted in receiving of a goodly

sum in new pledges and cash. (See Treasurer's report for expenses and amounts paid on the note.) Let all the churches meet this obligation for this work at once. Your committee suggests that some method be devised, either by the management, or the trustees, or both combined, by a thorough canvass for pledges shall be made for the C. B. F. I.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE OF C. B. F. INSTITUTE.

1907.		
Oct. 28.	By bal. in hand to-day.....	\$ 240.70
1908.		
Oct. 27.	By amount received since last report.....	1,809.18
		\$2,049.88

DISBURSEMENTS.

To paid Rev. M. A. Adams, Fin. Agt., sal.....	75.00
Rev. M. A. Adams, Fin. Agt., expenses...	42.50
L. J. Lawson, ins. prem.....	200.00
W. P. Shaw, interest on note.....	50.00
J. G. Wood, note.....	1,000.00
J. G. Wood, int. 12 mo. on \$8,000.00.....	480.00
	\$1,847.50

Oct. 27. By balance on hand to-day..... \$202.38

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. MITCHELL, *for Com.*

Remarks were made by M. A. Adams.

The following resolution was read by J. A. Speight:

Resolved, That it is the conviction of this Association that the Trustees of C. B. F. Institute consider the propriety of so changing or adding to the system of instruction at the Institute as to include teacher-training and also a business department, one or both, to the regular work of the school.

This resolution was discussed by J. A. Speight, J. C. Scarborough, L. Johnson and J. S. Farmer. The resolution was tabled.

A further discussion of the report on the C. B. F. Institute was deferred until tonight.

M. A. Adams read and spoke to the report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee begs leave to report as follows:

Last year was the best in all our mission history. The following facts speak for themselves. The record is as follows:

Contributions.—Last year our total receipts were \$402,328.16. This is in reality an increase of about \$8,000 over last year notwithstanding the financial depression.

Workers.—We have now altogether 556 workers on the field—222 missionaries and 334 native assistants. This is an increase of 56 workers during the year.

Equipment.—There are 229 churches and 467 out stations, with 14,179 members and 139 houses of worship; 226 Sunday Schools with 7,526 scholars, and 128 day schools with 3,194 scholars. These churches with the missionaries contributed last year \$34,825. All of these figures show a gratifying advance over the year before. The work is enlarging in a remarkable way.

New Recruits.—Twenty-four new missionaries went out during the year. Quite a number of others will likely be appointed in the very near future.

Schools.—There are now 128 schools connected with our missions with 3,194 scholars in attendance. All of these schools are training workers for the future. There are eight theological schools with about 150 students who will soon be a great power for evangelizing their own people. It is most important that we increase the number and augment the equipment of these schools.

Medical Missions.—The Board now has twelve medical missionaries who treated 38,000 patients during the year, giving to them healing for their bodies and teaching them of the Great Physician of their souls. Our hospitals are all overflowing, and there is the sorest need for a number of new hospitals.

Publishing Houses.—We have now four excellent printing plants which are sending out the leaves of truth for the healing of all nations. There is one in China, one in Brazil, one in Argentina and one in Mexico. We need publishing houses on all our fields.

Results.—There were 2,174 converts baptized on our fields last year. We have heard of large numbers being baptized since the beginning of the new year, but the largest results, due to the leavening power of the gospel among the people, can not be tabulated.

The above taken as a whole is very gratifying, and there are other considerations that upon a close analysis will make it blush with shame. In the territory occupied by the S. B. C. there were 10,854 churches that contributed to Foreign Missions.

Where Are the Nine?—There were 10,854 churches that contributed to Foreign Missions last year and 10,085 that gave nothing. In other words, nine out of twenty of our churches did not contribute one cent. It is vastly important that we reach the other nine. The fact that so many churches gave nothing and that so many others gave very little reduces the average gift of Southern Baptists to Foreign Missions to 20 cents per member. This is a much smaller average than that of any other one of the ten leading denominations as the following table will show:

Denominations.	Av. per member in U. S.
1 United Presbyterian.....	\$2.04
2 Reformed Church in America.....	1.48
3 Presbyterian, U. S., South.....	1.09
4 Presbyterian, U. S., North.....	1.08
5 Am Board Congregational.....	.90
6 Baptist, North.....	.76
7 Methodist Episcopal, South.....	.68
8 Methodist Episcopal.....	.67
9 Protestant Episcopal.....	.66
10 Baptist, South.....	.20

It is clear from the above facts that only about fifty per cent of the churches composing the Southern Baptist Convention are missionary at all, and Baptists are yet at the foot of the column in our per capita gifts to world-wide evangelization.

In North Carolina there are 1,850 churches, and 567 of these gave nothing to Foreign Missions; and our per capita average was only seventeen cents, or three cents less than the average Baptist of the Southern Baptist Convention, and in the West Chowan Association our average was a little under fourteen cents per capita, or some over three cents under the average Baptist of North Carolina, and some over six cents under the average Baptist of the Southern Baptist Convention. These facts speak for themselves and call loudly for heroic effort.

To bring the West Chowan in line with the average Southern Baptist we would have to contribute \$2,400, or more than fifty per cent increase above what we are now doing. Can we afford to do less? Is not twenty cents per member little enough to ask? Does not the millions of heathen appeal to us sufficiently to stir us to do our best? Shall not the love of Christ and His command nerve us to greatly enlarge our gifts?

In view of the enlarged work and the urgent need your Committee offers the following recommendations:

1. That every church increase her pledge to Foreign Missions as much as possible.

2. That missionary information be disseminated as much as possible to all our people, and to this end that tracts and the *Journal* be put into the hands of our people.

3. That every church be urged to have a good Woman's Missionary Society and Sunbeams for the children, and where this already exists, an effort be made to arouse more interest in them.

4. That we hold it to be unscriptural not to contribute to missions and urge our churches to purge themselves of all members who after being labored with persistently willfully refuse to contribute for missions, both at home and world-wide.

After pledges were made the report was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

God's purpose in missions antedates man's creation. The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world was to make atonement for the whole human race. God's call of Abraham had a two-fold purpose: (1) To make of him a great nation, and (2) that in him and in his seed should all the families be blessed. in the Great Commission—the Magna Carta of Christianity—the foundation principle is found in the words, "Go teach (make disciples of) all nations." "The spirit of missions is the Spirit of Christ," and the doctrine of missions permeates the very spirit of the Gospel. Hence wrong views and practices concerning missions is a greater heresy than wrong views and practices concerning baptism.

Not less clear are the Scripture teachings concerning the methods of missionary work. And he said unto them, "Thus it is written and thus it behooved Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, *beginning at Jerusalem.*" Luke xxiv:46, 47. "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem and all Judea, and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts 1:8.

In applying this last scripture to ourselves, for "Jerusalem" we should write State Missions; for "All Judea" Home Missions; for "the uttermost parts of the earth" Foreign Missions.

The unity of missions has been illustrated under various figures. Some represent it as a circle with State Missions as the center and Foreign Missions as the circumference. Nothing about a circle is more important than the *center*. Some represent it as a wheel, with State Missions as the hub, Home Missions as the spokes and Foreign Missions as the rim. It is evident that without a *strong hub* the whole wheel must be weak and comparatively worthless. Indeed, any fair illustration must serve to emphasize the importance of State Missions as the real base of all missionary endeavor.

NEEDS OF THE FIELD.

We have in North Carolina more than seven hundred thousand unsaved people who have reached the years of accountability. We have, also, hundreds of churches that are not yet able to support a pastor. There are, also, many communities in which there is no organization which holds the truth as we believe it to be taught in the word of God; and any community without a Baptist church is destitute.

In Hyde County, with a population of 9,000, there are only twenty-five Baptists with one Baptist preacher and one church building, while there is urgent and immediate need of four.

In the western part of the State the great need is for development of Baptists; while in the eastern part the need is to evangelize and make Baptists. In the west the ratio of Baptists to the general population is as one to four; while in twenty eastern counties it is one to twenty-five.

In the east the new era of railroad building is opening up vast regions to business development, demanding increased effort on our part that spiritual prosperity keep pace with and direct material development.

In Central North Carolina the marvelous development of hydro-electric power, with its attendant increase of factories and shops, demands a mighty effort on

our part that over each factory shall float the banner of the cross, and each shop shall be erected an altar unto God.

For the prosecution of this tremendous task the State Board, backed by over two hundred thousand white Baptists, has only about 150 men, and these without adequate support.

Brethren, let's take North Carolina for Christ; and, through North Carolina, the world.

SOME ENCOURAGEMENTS.

In the past God's richest blessings have been lavished upon the Board and its missionaries. During the last ten years the missionaries of the Board have baptized *thirteen thousand converts*. During that time they have built 169 houses of worship, and have collected for the work of the State Convention over *fifty thousand dollars*, or more than 20 per cent on the investment. During the seventy-eight years of the Board's history, one-half of the Baptist churches that exist in the State to-day have been organized by its missionaries, and these same churches contribute two-thirds of the money given for the objects represented by the State Convention.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That we enlarge our offerings to State Missions.

2. That we earnestly urge our churches to endeavor to secure a contribution from *every* member who has the ability to give, and we also recommend that those who have the ability to, and will not give, be, after sufficient examination, excluded from the fellowship of the churches.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. GAY,
A. BASS,
Committee.

This report was discussed by R. L. Gay and Livingston Johnson. Pledges for next year were made, and the report was adopted.

The Association adjourned for dinner. Benediction by M. A. Adams.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional services at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by S. B. Barnes.

M. P. Davis read the report on Ministers' Relief.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF.

The object of this Board is well known to our churches, and we know of no object more worthy, and yet from the small contributions coming from our churches it would seem to be a great misfortune for a minister to live to be old.

We need not go away from our own Association to find objects of care and sympathy. Shall we not in this good work find place in our hearts to do to others as we would have them do to us? If we heed this rule our old ministers and their widows will be well provided for.

D. CALE.

Remarks on this report were made by B. S. Gay, J. C. Scarborough, J. T. Williams, W. P. Shaw. Pledges were made for this object, and the report was adopted.

The Moderator appointed the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for the next session of this body, consisting of W. P. Taylor, C. R. Harrell, C. L. L. Cobb.

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Our Baptist people have a much greater concern for the welfare of children at this time than at any previous time in our history as a denomination. This

concern for children is not yet so intense and intelligently earnest as it ought to be, and will be as the years go by.

The burning question for us now and for the future is and will be, "How shall we provide means and adopt suitable measures to properly care for the orphaned and neglected children in order to provide for their comfort and to 'bring them up in the nurture and teaching of the Lord,' and to bring the Gospel of Christ, with its benign and saving power, home to their hearts and consciences?"

Whatever we may do for their bodies and for their intellectual training, is good as far as it goes; but it does not go far enough. If we fail to bring Christ into their lives, individually, every such life will be, must be, a failure. Christ left out, all else will be void and worse than vanity in the final outcome.

We are trying, at the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, to properly train the orphan children committed to us, as well as to provide for their comfort and growth and strength of body. We teach them by precept and practice to be industrious. All who are able have some work to do, which needs to be done. Everybody who is able works at the Orphanage. There are no idlers. We are trying to give proper education to mind and health and strength to body.

In addition to this, and in connection with it, we are putting our best thought and ability in the effort to give correct moral and religious education. We are trying to make men and women who know how and have the will to master self. We are educating them in the fundamental principles of good citizenship.

We are holding up Christ to them as the Saviour and Helper of men and women. We are helping them to become true citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven. This citizenship accomplished, we need have no fear of failure of our work for them, for the best citizens in our State or elsewhere are the men and women who acknowledge the Kingdom of Christ and take Him as their Sovereign.

We have now at the Orphanage 385 orphan children. These need our help every day in the year. They will not disappoint our hopes.

We recommend that every Sunday School in this Association take up a collection for the Orphanage on a fixed Sunday in each month; and that our churches aid liberally in this work.

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
For the Committee.

Remarks were made by J. C. Scarborough, after which A. Johnson addressed the Association on this subject. A collection was taken, amounting to \$18.12. The report was adopted.

On motion, W. P. Shaw was made chairman of the Committee to prepare resolutions to be presented at the Memorial Service to L. M. Curtis.

The Committee on Time and Place reported as follows: Time, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in October, 1909; place, Bethlehem; to preach the Introductory Sermon, R. D. Stephenson; alternate, A. C. Sherwood. The report was adopted.

The Association adjourned, with prayer by A. Johnson.

EVENING SESSION—7:30 O'CLOCK.

C. W. Mitchell was chosen Moderator *pro tem*.

The report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute was taken up and discussed by R. L. Gay, T. T. Speight, M. P. Davis, R. Sewell, W. J. Harrell, C. W. Mitchell, M. A. Adams, J. B. Newton. The report was adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourned. Prayer by A. A. Crater.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

A. C. Sherwood conducted devotional services.

M. P. Davis read the following amendment to the Constitution, which was adopted:

AMENDMENT.

Resolved, That article 14 be so amended as to read as follows: It shall be the duty of the Historian, who shall be elected at each annual meeting of the body, to report at the next succeeding meeting, to prepare for publication in the minutes an historical sketch of the church with which the Association meets, with obituaries, incidents, and other facts of the year that should be preserved.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Your Historian begs leave to report the following:

There is a needs-must-be for a partial and fragmentary sketch. Few data from which to compile his report have been obtainable.

A LOOK BACKWARD.

A retrospect of the associational year reveals progress. While results have not been as gratifying as we could wish, they indicate a forward advance. During the past year \$23,993.03 were spent on home expenses. This is an advance over 1907 of \$6,768.05. Our total contributions to Missions, etc., were slightly in advance of last year. Quite a number of our churches pledged themselves to greater things for the coming year.

MEETINGS.

Reports from our churches during the revival season brought glad tidings of great joy. Some churches were already in a spirit of revival when the meetings began. Not so many baptisms were reported as last year, but from nearly every meeting came the news: "A great revival among the church folk."

NEW PASTORS.

Since we last met Bro. A. C. Sherwood has accepted work in the Association. He is located in Winton, and is shepherding Chowan and Murfreesboro. Bro. A. Cree, whom we lost a few years ago, has accepted work with us again. He is serving Jackson, Seaboard, Elam and Pine Forest.

CHURCHES.

Our churches now number fifty-three, one new church—Menola—having been organized and admitted into the Association. A few of these are seeking pastors for the coming year.

PASTORAL PERSONALS.

Bro. R. L. Gay has resigned the work at Lewiston. He will devote more time to the work at Aulander.

Bro. C. W. Scarborough has resigned his work at Robert's Chapel and Buckhorn. Do not leave the Association, Bro. Scarborough. There is work awaiting the worker, and we can not afford to give you up.

Within the year two of our pastors have left our ranks. Bro. E. B. Waltz, of Woodland, has joined the forces of the Tar River Association, and Bro. W. H. Davis, of Winton, has cast his lot with our Virginia brethren.

J. F. Cale has resigned the work at Woodlawn and goes to Bethlehem for two Sundays.

Bro. A. C. Sherwood is looking about as "swampy" now as any of his co-laborers. He is happy in the work, and is proving quite a valuable importation.

CHURCH BUILDINGS.

The saints at Lasker are to be congratulated. They have just completed a house of worship that ranks with the best in our Association. The outlook for great things at Lasker is encouraging.

Mars Hill has caught the building spirit, and is in the process of building a \$5,000 house.

OUR PIQUIS DEAD.

Since our last meeting Mrs. Margaret A. Bynum has crossed over the river. She was a member of Buckhorn, and was at the time of her death the oldest member of her church. Sister Bynum lived a sweet, pure, beautiful Christian life, and died a triumphant death.

Bro. W. P. Sykes, of Robert's Chapel, has also stepped from time into eternity. Bro. Sykes was a man of large influence; he loved his church, was devoted to Christ, and served his God.

Bro. L. M. Curtis, for a number of years a devoted pastor and a wise counselor in our ranks, on the 28th of July last, with the courage, dignity and faith of a Christian, passed from earth into eternity. The beloved disciple has gone; a hero has fallen!

"His life was gentle; and the elements
So mix'd in him, that nature might stand up
And say to all the world, 'This was a man!'"

AT AULANDER.

The Association met at Aulander in its twenty-sixth annual session, October 27-29. The Introductory Sermon was preached by A. T. Howell. It was a sermon of force and power.

All the old officers were reelected except Vice-Moderator and Historian. Bro. J. H. Matthews was chosen Vice-Moderator.

As usual, visitors were in evidence. Among these may be named L. and A. Johnson, W. L. Britt, J. B. Newton, A. A. Crater, and J. S. Farmer.

The reports on the different Boards were made as usual. The reports were worthy, and the discussions were of a high order. The session reached high tide when the reports on State Missions and the Orphanage were read and discussed. L. and A. Johnson were at their best.

The entertainment was all that could be wished. The saints of Aulander opened their hearts and homes; "neither said any of them that aught of the things he possessed was his own; but they had all things in common."

The session will be remembered as one of the best in our history.

A FORWARD GLANCE.

We are climbing upward. The pledges for the coming year are the largest ever made. With the past to inspire, and noble aspirations for greater achievements in the future to beckon us on, let us gather strength and courage for the ascent still before us.

The next session goes to Bethlehem, R. D. Stephenson to preach the Introductory Sermon. And thou, Bethlehem, in the land of love, art not the least among the churches of the West Chowan; for hither shall the legions assemble in 1909.

JOHN F. CALE,
Historian.

On motion, C. W. Scarborough was requested to answer the telegram received from T. C. Britton, missionary to China, who is now spending some time in study at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

The committee consisting of M. P. Davis, T. T. Speight and R. L. Gay made their report on the Order of Business, which report appears in another place.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee begs leave to report as follows:

We thank God for the great prohibition victory at our recent elections, and greatly rejoice at the great moral improvement of conditions in our civic life. These have placed you in great responsibility to see that the laws are enforced. This neglected, all is a total loss and worse than failure. We therefore make the following recommendations:

I. That we favor and will do all in our power to see that the prohibition laws are rigidly enforced.

II. That we most heartily approve of the effort to secure an anti-jug law in prohibition territory by Federal enactment, and we are also opposed to the issuing of a federal liquor license in prohibition territory.

III. That so far as possible we take one collection a for the Anti-Saloon League.

IV. That all our pastors be requested to hold at least one temperance service in all their churches during the coming year.

M. A. ADAMS, *Com.*

Remarks on these resolutions were made by C. W. Scarborough, M. A. Adams and A. C. Sherwood. The resolutions were adopted.

C. W. Scarborough made the following motion, which was carried:

That we tender our thanks to the people of this entire community for the magnificent hospitality we have enjoyed, and for the possibility placed within our reach of having a most orderly meeting.

On motion, R. L. Gay was appointed a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, C. W. Scarborough, alternate; J. C. Scarborough, B. S. Gay and W. P. Taylor to the Baptist State Convention; M. P. Davis a member of the State Mission Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

JAS. P. FREEMAN, *Treasurer,*

In account with West Chowan Association.

To amount received from the Finance Committee at the 1907 Session Association, viz:

Minute fund	\$86.71
Ministers' Relief	6.00
Foreign Missions	65.00
State Missions	118.50
Home Missions	39.00
Education	18.00
Balance on hand from 1906.....	.58

\$333.79

By amount paid Walters Durham for Ministers' Relief.....	\$6.00
By amount paid Walters Durham for Foreign Missions.....	65.00
By amount paid Walters Durham for State Missions.....	118.50
By amount paid Walters Durham for Home Missions.....	39.00
By amount paid Walters Durham for Education.....	18.00
By amount paid Nash Bros. for printing Minutes.....	60.00
By amount paid N. W. Britton, Clerk.....	25.00

331.50

Balance due West Chowan Association..... \$2.29

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Received for Foreign Missions	\$8.35
Home Missions	5.75
State Missions	23.00
Education	5.00
Ministers' Relief	3.60
Minute Fund	86.17

Total \$131.17

Respectfully submitted,

P. M. FLEETWOOD,

J. D. BABB,

C. S. GODWIN,

Committee.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The Board of Education had its inception in the keenly-felt need and the cherished hope for a better-equipped ministry. If the churches are God-appointed agencies for sending out preachers, the Board of Education is an agency, under the supervision of the churches, to collect and distribute funds in helping to train these young men, that they may be better equipped for gospel ministry.

We believe that the surest, the quickest and the best way to quicken the spiritual life and growth of our people is to provide better equipment for the young ministers who are to become leaders in our religious life and thought.

There are at Wake Forest fifty-three young ministers who are receiving aid from the Education Board, and twenty-four at the Seminary; but the Board can not prosecute this work without funds.

We, your committee, therefore recommend that we do all in our power to aid the Board in giving these young men the best equipment for their work that they are capable of taking. And to this end we further recommend that the pastors of the Association take special collections between now and June 1st to aid the Board in prosecuting this work.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. F. CALE,
For Committee.

This report was spoken to by J. F. Cale, J. C. Scarborough, M. A. Adams, T. T. Speight, R. L. Gay, W. P. Taylor, M. P. Davis, C. W. Mitchell, A. C. Sherwood. Pledges were made and the report adopted.

Resolutions relating to L. M. Curtis were read by W. P. Shaw.

REV. L. M. CURTIS.

WHEREAS, it has pleased our Heavenly Father, in His inscrutable wisdom and unerring providence, to remove from our midst and the scenes of life to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns, our beloved and esteemed friend and brother, Elder L. M. Curtis, who so ably, faithfully and acceptably served as pastor in this Association for a period of more than sixteen years, terminating his term of service in the year of 1907, when impaired health and physical weakness forced him to relinquish his life's work which he so much loved, honored and cherished, and who after a long, lingering illness and patient, uncomplaining suffering gently passed away at his home in the town of Ahoskie on the 28th day of July, 1908.

Resolved, That the West Chowan Association in session assembled has received with profound sorrow and tender sadness the intelligence of the death of our esteemed, venerated and beloved brother, trusted friend and long-time co-laborer in Christian work.

Resolved, That in his death the churches he so long and so faithfully served, the communities in which he lived, and the Baptist denomination he so willingly and earnestly worked to maintain, have lost one of their firmest supports and the moral uplift, social progress and educational advancement of our entire section have received a stunning blow which is to us a sad bereavement.

Resolved, That the eminent character, spotless virtue, beautiful Christian graces and worthy private and public services of our departed brother deserve to be appropriately commemorated, and his memory sacredly cherished and revered.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be published in our associational minutes, a copy be sent to the *Biblical Recorder* and *Roanoke-Chowan Times* for publication, and a copy be transmitted to our deceased brother's family, to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolence in their great sorrow and sad bereavement.

W. P. SHAW,
T. T. SPEIGHT,
J. F. CALE,
Committee.

ADDRESS OF W. P. SHAW ON THE RESOLUTION TO THE MEMORY OF L. M. CURTIS.

The record of a faithful and well-spent life, made eminent by deeds of kindness and noble examples of virtue, is a priceless legacy to his people, and the commemoration of the high character of men whose labors and talents have contributed to the general welfare of others, is not only a just tribute to their memories, but should serve as an incentive and inspiration to the living, to emulate their virtues and imitate their examples, and time allotted to memorial services in honor of true worth should not be regarded as lost, or prove unprofitable.

It is to me a sad privilege, a melancholy pleasure to think and speak of the exalted character and generous attributes, as I knew them, of our dear friend and esteemed brother, L. M. Curtis.

He was born in the county of Randolph, on the 25th day of June, 1852. He never remembered his father, who died when he was an infant, leaving him to the care of his mother, with whom he lived on a farm, till her death, which occurred about the time he was approaching young manhood.

He attended the schools of his home, and Rutherford College, and possessing a quick and strong intellect and endowed with a healthy body and great energy, he secured for himself a good education, and commenced his life's work as a teacher in the schools.

On the 22d day of February, 1881, he married Miss Dora E. Vann, of the county of Sampson, who together with three sons and one daughter survive him.

His first church relations were with the Methodist, and he was an active and influential member of that denomination until about the year 1885, when he connected himself with the Baptists and entered the ministry of this denomination. In the year 1887 he attended the Baptist Seminary at Louisville, taking a double course of studies, and graduated from that school. Returning home, his first active work as pastor was in the Tar River Association, with Scotland Neck, his home. In the year 1890 he was called to preach for Aulander church in this Association, and one year later made Aulander his home, where he preached for the church ten years. He then removed to Ahoskie, where he spent the remainder of his life. He served as pastor of Bethlehem church fifteen years, Center Grove church ten years, and Ahoskie church six years, terminating his active services with his churches only when impaired health and physical weakness forced him to retire from his life's work. For the welfare of the churches he retained and expressed the deepest interest until the time of his death, which occurred at his home on the evening of July 28, 1908, casting a shadow of the deepest sorrow. Truly, a strong and beautiful column in the edifice of our hopes, our aspirations and our Christian endeavor had fallen. A strong staff on which we had long learned to lean so implicitly, and to trust so confidently, had been broken, leaving a deep sorrow, which we can only trust that time may heal, a mighty void which we pray that Heaven may fill.

Some time since, with sad hearts, we gently deposited in the narrow confines of the grave all that was mortal of our brother, Dr. John Mitchell, who for more than a half century had moved among us, known and recognized as the beloved disciple of faith, the real embodiment of true friendship and the ideal representation of the Christian graces. And turning sadly our faces from his last earthly resting place, which the hands of love and affection had bedecked with flowers, looking to the future, the thought came to our mind, Who should take his place? I do not know how it seemed to others, but to me it appeared that the general consensus of opinion pointed unmistakably to Elder L. M. Curtis, who we trusted might live long to stand in the place occupied by Dr. John Mitchell in the hearts of our people, whom he had served so well.

But, alas! for human expectations. A higher voice has spoken. "My ways are not man's ways." My thoughts are not his thoughts. And before the shadow on the dial-plate of time had far passed the noon hour of his life, the fatal malady had taken him in its grasp, and we watched with dreaded apprehension the wasting away of his rotund and manly form. Then at times we were cheered at the signs of returning strength, and the bright cheer of his genial good nature, bid us hope, and now and then we thought there were signs that his great strength

might prove equal to its task. And we did hope on, and pray on, but at last the silver cord drawn to its utmost tension is broken. It matters not what the premonitions may be, how we may steel our hearts to meet the inevitable, the blow which strikes down the life of one whom we love, honor and trust, can not fail to lacerate the sensibilities and tear the heart-strings, fairly stunning and crushing life's sensibilities, bringing the dark shadow of saddest sorrow, as we think of the bier, the pall, and the grave.

But when death comes to one in the full fruition of a well-rounded life, with a confident trust in God, such a life seems to call for neither tears or mourning. Indeed, death, we believe, is but the crown of such a life. Yet it is eminently right and proper that we should keep fresh and green the memory of a life so full of inspiration and so worthy of imitation.

I knew Brother Curtis well, and favorably well, and no man during the past ten years has come closer in my life, in every way. During this time church relations, school enterprises, social amenities and varied circumstances of business and friendship have brought us often together, and my personal knowledge of his noble qualities of head and heart revealed inborn qualities of worth and wisdom which seemed every year to strengthen my esteem, confidence and veneration, holding them to the last, as if with hooks of solid steel. And I cherish the kind relations which have existed between us as one of the most precious of blessings. I have known men whom I have regarded it a special privilege to have been permitted to associate with. Men high in church, in statesmanship, in judicial learning, brave and courageous in soldierly bearing and leadership; but in every way, as a true, all-round man, I know of no one whom I would class above L. M. Curtis.

Coming among us strong, buoyant and hopeful in the full vigor of maturing manhood, endowed with large mental powers, possessed of a magnificent physique, a cheery, bright disposition, and a love for his work, which helped to make it more easy, we thought of his great promise of many years, and some of us looked forward with hopeful expectancy, that when our eyes should grow dim and our footsteps falter, he would be to us a strong support, upon which we might lean with confident trust, and that he might be permitted to aid in the last sad rites which the kind hands of love and friendship could contribute. But he has fallen, and now sleeps with his fathers. But who will say that in the higher, the spiritual sense, that L. M. Curtis is dead?

Is Christ, who amid the jeers of the Roman soldiery and mockery of His own people, expired on the cross, and slept in the new tomb of Joseph of Arimathea, dead? Are John, James and Peter, who walked and associated with the world's Redeemer, dead? Is Paul, the great preacher of faith and righteousness, dead? Their works do follow them, and L. M. Curtis resting in the grave yet speaketh.

I am glad that he lived, for the world of to-day is better, and of the future will be better by his living, and his memory deserves to be commemorated and handed down to those who are to come after him.

In power of discernment, in the affairs of the church, in social relations, in matters of business, he was strong and resourceful. His power of analysis was large, and he was quick to see the relation which one thing bears to another. He brought to his advice and counsel inspiration and wisdom. He accepted with a steady faith, without doubt or hesitation, the Old and the New Testament Scriptures, and seemed to possess the divine sentiment which in the midst of life's afflictions and sorrows, lights up the soul with rays of consolation and hope, and he was ready to dispense this sentiment to others. To his friends, his church, his country, and his work, in their prosperity and adversity, in their bright days and cloudy days, he was ever the same kind friend, trusted brother, true patriot, and unswerving Christian minister.

In the privacy of his bereaved home I will not now intrude, except to say that he was always the same kind and devoted husband, loving and generous father, and ever ready to extend to all a warm hospitality and pleasant social virtues. Among his friends and the members of his flock "he was no respecter of persons." He knew no caste, and recognized no superiority, except that of honesty and worth, and he visited alike the humble country home in the retired sections as readily as he did the elegant homes in the more populous centers, and I appre-

hend that among the poor and humble the loss of his helpful ministrations, in the times of sickness, death and sorrow, will be most sadly felt. For no more when anguish writhes the brow and hot tears fall, will they watch for his coming, anxious to catch his kind words of consolation and sympathy; but while faithful service and sympathetic action find a responsive echo in honest hearts, his good deeds should invoke true emulation of his life and example.

He died as he lived, calmly and serenely,

“Like a shadow thrown

Softly and sweetly from a passing cloud,

Death fell upon him.”

Enforcing the great lesson so often taught and so hard for us at all times to remember, that God moves in a mysterious way, in the performance of His wondrous plans, and that sooner or later death comes to us all. A lesson suggestive to us all alike, the momentous inquiry, to which no human tongue can voice the reply, Who will be next? together with the solemn injunction, be ye even so ready. Let us trust that as the spirit of our departed brother left the shores of time and conflict, that he went to the Infinite One, who opened wide for him the doorway to the great white throne, and welcomed him to a home of rest in heaven.

I offer this as an humble tribute to the memory and worth of a devoted husband, loving father, kind friend, generous neighbor, patriotic citizen and beloved Christian minister.

After the resolutions were read, quite a number of the brethren spoke feelingly of the life and work of L. M. Curtis.

After singing, “Shall We Gather at the River?” the Association adjourned, with prayer by C. E. Edwards.

N. W. BRITTON, *Clerk.*

W. P. SHAW,

Moderator.

PLEDGES FOR 1909.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.	Ministerial Relief.
Ahoskie	\$50.00	\$85.00	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$5.00
Aulander	75.00	75.00	75.00	25.00	10.00
Bethlehem	50.00	60.00	22.00	22.00	5.00
Bethany	20.00	25.00	20.00	5.00	5.00
Brantley's Grove	24.00	25.00	25.00	3.00	5.00
Buckhorn	100.00	90.00	50.00	25.00	5.00
Capehart's	35.00	50.00	25.00	6.00	5.00
Cashie	100.00	75.00	25.00	20.00	5.00
Center Grove	81.00	41.00	20.00	8.00	2.00
Chowan	100.00	125.00	100.00	35.00	5.00
Christian Harbor	30.00	30.00	20.00	5.00	5.00
Coleraine	50.00	45.00	30.00	12.00	5.00
Connaritsa	30.00	32.50	22.50	10.00	5.00
Creeksville	17.50	17.50	10.00	5.00	
Conway	35.00	35.00	18.00	10.00	5.00
Elam	25.00	22.50	12.50	7.50	
Galatia	25.00	22.00	15.00	5.00	
Green's Cross Roads	41.00	20.00	15.00	2.00	2.00
Harrellsville	40.00	40.00	21.00	6.00	
Hebron	25.00	25.00	18.00	6.00	5.00
Hillside	7.00	10.00	5.00	1.00	
Holly Grove	25.00	25.00	18.00	8.00	3.00
Holly Springs	8.00	12.00	8.00	3.00	5.00
Jackson	20.00	25.00	18.00	5.00	5.00
Kelford	25.00	35.00	35.00	7.00	5.00
Lasker	8.00	15.00	10.00	3.00	5.00
Lawrence's Cross Roads	30.00	32.00	15.00	5.00	4.00
Lewiston	35.00	50.00	25.00	10.00	5.00
Margarettsville	16.00	16.00	18.00	6.00	3.00
Mars Hill	100.00	50.00	40.00	10.00	5.00
Meherrin	56.77	36.35	35.00	15.00	5.00
Mount Carmel	25.00	25.00	12.00	6.00	3.00
Mount Tabor	45.00	45.00	40.00	10.00	5.00
Murfreesboro	50.00	50.00	50.00	30.00	5.00
Menola	10.00	5.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
Oak Grove	16.00	16.00	18.00	6.00	2.00
Pine Forest	12.00	12.00		7.00	
Potecasi	25.00	40.00	30.00	11.00	5.00
Pleasant Grove	35.00	35.00	20.00	10.00	5.00
Republican	30.00	20.00	20.00	7.00	3.00
Rich Square	25.00	35.00	20.00	5.00	5.00
Roanoke	9.00	8.00	6.50	2.00	2.00
Roquist	7.00	8.00	8.00	3.00	2.00
Robert's Chapel	70.00	55.00	30.00	15.00	5.00
Ross's	35.00	50.00	25.00	6.00	
Sandy Run	35.00	35.00	30.00	10.00	5.00
Seaboard	16.00	22.00	12.00	5.00	3.00
Siloam	2.50	2.00	2.50	2.00	
Severn	50.00	35.00	30.00	15.00	5.00
Saint John's	22.00	18.00	10.00	4.00	5.00
Union	60.00	70.00	50.00	15.00	5.00
Winton	20.00	25.00	18.00	12.00	2.00
Woodland	25.00	30.00	24.00	6.00	3.00

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Preacher of the Introductory Sermon.	Texts.
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.	R. P. Thomas	W. C. Parker	D. A. Woodson	Rom. 1:16.
1884	Robert's Chapel, Northampton Co.	do	do	J. D. Hufham	Acts 20:24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Psalms 16:8.
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Heb. 13:1.
1887	Winton, Hertford Co.	do	do	B. B. Williams	Acts 20:35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.	do	do	M. L. Green	Gal. 6:10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do	do	T. T. Speight	Gal. 6:10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Rom. 8:1.
1891	Union, Hertford Co.	do	do	T. G. Wood	Habakkuk 2:15.
1892	Mount Carmel, Northampton Co.	do	do	Braxton Craig	Num. 13:30.
1893	Coleraine, Bertie Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Col. 2:10.
1894	Mount Tabor, Hertford Co.	do	do	A. Cree	Col. 1:28.
1895	Sandy Run, Bertie Co.	do	do	J. B. Boone	Rom. 15:1, 2, 3.
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	R. D. Cross	Eph. 1:17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	do	do	McCaughn	Acts 5:29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.	do	do	W. P. Jordan	Rom. 5:8; 8:32.
1899	Ahoskie, Hertford Co.	do	do	J. A. Speight	Joel 3:14, 15, 16.
1900	Potocasi, Northampton Co.	do	do	R. D. Cross	Gal. 6:14.
1901	Capelhart, Bertie Co.	do	do	G. P. Harrill	Heb. 4:6.
1902	Comartisa, Bertie Co.	do	do	D. Cale	2 Cor. 9:6, 7.
1903	Buckhorn, Hertford Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Rev. 3:7 to 11.
1904	Ross, Bertie County	do	do	A. T. Howell	Ex. 10:16; 28:19, 20.
1905	Hebron, Northampton Co.	do	do	W. L. Britt	Matt. 3:19; 26:26-28.
1906	Cashie, Bertie Co.	do	do	M. A. Adams	Heb. 13:1.
1907	Christian Harbor, Hertford Co.	do	do	R. L. Gay	Psalms 60:4.
1908	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do	do	A. T. Howell	Song of Solomon 5:16.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches.	Location and Date of Constitution.	Received.				Lost.				Membership.		
		Baptisms.	Letter.	Restoration.	Total.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Shoskie	Hertford Co. 1804	19	35	3	57	8	1	6	15	142	226	368
Julander	Bertie Co. 1886		14		14	13	6	3	22	121	152	173
Bethlehem	Hertford Co. 1885		3	1	4	6	1	2	9	70	107	177
Bethany	Bertie Co. 1881	7	3		10	4	3		7	106	135	241
Strantley's Grove	Hertford Co. 1877	9	3		12	5	4	1	10	83	96	179
Suckhorn	Hertford Co. 1885		1	2	3	12	5	10	23	122	117	239
Peaphart's	Bertie Co. 1824	13	12	3	28	5		2	7	137	202	339
Cashie	Bertie Co. 1878	23	11	6	40	12	5	4	21	113	170	283
Center Grove	Bertie Co. 1897	2	1		3	7	1		8	88	108	196
Chowan	Hertford Co. 1895		5		5	5	1	3	9	61	72	133
Christian Harbor	Hertford Co. 1881	16	3		19	6		3	9	75	82	157
Coleraine	Bertie Co. 1780	43	13	4	60	6	1	2	9	179	196	375
Donnaritza	Bertie Co. 1789	13	7	4	24	4	5	3	12	141	187	328
Greenville	Northampton 1892	9	2	4	15	2	3	2	7	82	68	150
Jonway	Northampton 1905	13	17	1	30	2	2		4	76	73	149
Clam	Northampton 1844	5	1	1	7	2	2		4	74	157	231
Galatia	Northampton 1859	9	6	2	17	10	2	6	18	148	167	315
Green's X Roads	Bertie Co. 1874	13	3	2	18	4	4		8	118	124	242
Harrellsville	Hertford Co. 1875	5	8		13	10	10	1	21	75	79	152
Hebron	Northampton 1856	11	4		15	46	1	2	49	99	138	237
Hillside	Bertie Co. 1885	8	1		9	4		1	5	42	40	82
Holly Grove	Bertie Co. 1804	3	3		6	6	3	1	10	72	90	162
Holly Springs	Hertford Co. 1907	5	14		19	1			1	21	37	58
Jackson	Northampton 1882		1	1	2	3		4	7	37	46	83
Kelford	Bertie Co. 1898	6	7		13	1	1	1	3	72	91	163
Lasker	Northampton 1906	20	4		24	6	2	3	9	50	57	107
Lawrence's X Roads	Bertie Co. 1874	14	1	1	16	3	3	4	10	123	134	257
Lewiston	Bertie Co. 1883	6	10	1	17	6	3	1	10	101	123	224
Margarettsville	Northampton 1889	1		1	2	2	1	1	4	25	27	52
Mars Hill	Bertie Co. 1854	10	17		27	6	2	4	12	237	242	479
Meheerrin	Hertford Co. 1729	11	2	1	14	17	6	2	25	198	221	419
Mt. Carmel	Northampton 1826	8	2	1	11	5		2	7	90	118	208
Mt. Tabor	Hertford Co. 1839	14	5	3	22	14	4	5	23	125	166	291
Murfreesboro	Hertford Co. 1843		1	1	2	6	1	1	8	37	72	109
Nak Grove	Hertford Co. 1894	6	2	5	13	3	2		5	73	78	151
Pine Forest	Northampton 1888									23	35	58
Potecasi	Northampton 1808	5	2		7	9	4	1	14	157	178	335
Pleasant Grove	Hertford Co. 1837	4	1	1	6	6	4		11	91	179	270
Republican	Bertie Co. 1803		9	1	10	3		5	8	179	245	424
Rich Square	Northampton 1854	2	2	1	5	11	11	2	24	81	111	192
Roanoke	Northampton 1885	7	2	1	10	1	1		2	33	53	86
Roquist	Bertie Co. 1878	8	1	1	10	5		3	8	32	36	68
Robert's Chapel	Northampton 1848	24		7	31	12	3	3	18	100	185	285
Ross's	Bertie Co. 1804		1	1	8	17	1	4	22	295	442	737
Sandy Run	Bertie Co. 1750	14	8	2	24	3			3	130	181	311
Seaboard	Northampton 1889		8		8	1		2	3	66	83	149
Shoam			4		4			3	3	52	55	107
Seyern	Northampton 1896		3		3	7		1	8	78	67	145
St. John's	Hertford Co. 1883	4	5		9	1	1		2	70	99	169
Union	Hertford Co. 1885	4	5	1	10	5	4	4	13	98	100	198
Vinton	Hertford Co. 1873		10	1	11	3	1	4	8	80	98	178
Woodland	Northampton 1902	8	2	1	11	5			5	82	73	155
		402	285	103	758	340	120	103	562	5058	6318	11376

CHURCH STATISTICS—Continued.

Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks and Post-offices.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Value of Church Property.
Ahoskie	M. A. Adams	Robert Holloman, Ahoskie	1st and 3d	\$2500
Aulander	R. L. Gay	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander	1st	3000
Bethlehem	J. F. Cale	A. B. Adkins, Cofield	3d	2750
Bethany	S. B. Barnes	W. W. Perry, Coleraine	1st	1200
Brantley's Grove	S. B. Barnes	B. F. Barham, Ahoskie	3d	1500
Buckhorn	C. W. Scarborough	S. P. Winborn, Como	2d and 4th	
Capehart's	T. T. Speight	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill	1st	1000
Cashie	R. D. Stephenson	W. R. Cobb, Windsor	1st, 3d, 4th	2500
Center Grove	C. E. Edwards	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie	2d	1000
Chowan	A. C. Sherwood	T. D. Boone, Winton	1st and 3d	4000
Christian Harbor	M. P. Davis	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville	2d	1500
Coleraine	M. P. Davis	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine	1st and 3d	6000
Connaritsa	T. T. Speight	A. J. Dunning, Aulander	3d	2000
Creeksville	D. Cale	W. H. Davis, Conway	2d	1800
Conway	W. B. Waff	J. F. Martin, Conway	2d	3000
Elam	A. Cree	J. E. Daniel, Seaboard	2d	1000
Galatia	D. Cale	W. C. Smith, Seaboard	3d	1500
Green's X Roads	R. D. Stephenson	G. A. Conner, Windsor	2d	750
Harrellsville	M. P. Davis	D. Taylor, Harrellsville	1st and 3d	1500
Hebron	A. T. Howell	J. K. Revel, Conway	4th	1000
Hillside	C. E. Edwards	W. G. Gurkin, Quitsna	3d	600
Holly Grove	C. E. Edwards	J. H. Bowen, Askewville	1st	1000
Holly Springs	S. B. Barnes	C. T. Peale, Union	3d	
Jackson	A. Cree	Edwin Wright, Jackson	1st	2500
Kelford	T. T. Speight	C. L. Cobb, Kelford	2d	2500
Lasker	S. B. Barnes	R. C. Lassiter, Lasker	4th	3000
Lawrence X Roads	S. B. Barnes	J. R. Phelps, Merry Hill	2d	1500
Lewiston	R. L. Gay	Wilmer Modlin, Lewiston	2d and 4th	2500
Margarettsville	Jack Barnes	R. A. Barnes, Margarettsville		
Mars Hill	M. P. Davis	W. B. Miller, Coleraine	4th	3000
Meherrin	W. B. Waff	J. J. Parker, Murfreesboro		2000
Mount Carmel	J. F. Cale	J. G. Joyner, Seaboard	4th	1000
Mount Tabor	A. T. Howell	D. L. Parker, Mapleton	1st and 3d	2500
Murfreesboro	A. C. Sherwood	J. C. Scarborough, Murfreesboro	2d and 4th	2000
Oak Grove	M. A. Adams	S. E. Marsh, Aulander		
Pine Forest	A. Cree	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg	3d	800
Potecasi	A. T. Howell	E. B. Lassiter, Potecasi	2d	
Pleasant Grove	R. L. Gay	A. P. Joyner, Aulander	3d	
Republican	T. T. Speight	A. V. Cobb, Windsor	4th	
Rich Square	J. F. Cale	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square	2d	
Roanoke	S. B. Barnes	J. T. Howell, Lasker	4th	1400
Roquist	C. E. Edwards	J. M. Yates, Windsor	4th	500
Roberts Chapel	C. W. Scarborough	W. J. Beale, Pendleton	1st and 3d	2000
Ross's	J. A. Speight	J. T. Hoggard, Windsor	4th	3000
Sandy Run	D. Cale	E. L. Bishop, Roxobel	4th	2500
Seaboard	A. Cree	J. S. Gay, Margarettsville	3d	1000
Siloam	W. T. Asbell	L. H. Speller		
Severn	W. B. Waff	W. H. Howell, Severn	4th	2000
St. John's	D. Cale	S. E. Vaughan, Ahoskie	1st	1200
Union	M. A. Adams	John Freeman, Ahoskie	2d and 4th	2500
Winton	W. H. Davis	W. H. Lassiter, Winton	2d and 4th	
Woodland	J. F. Cale	Lewter McDaniel, Woodland	1st	

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.	Superintendents and Post-offices.
Ahoskie	14	225	239	---	200	12	170	A. O. Kiff, Ahoskie.
Aulander	11	167	178	50	150	12	135	E. C. Harrell, Aulander.
Bethlehem	12	85	97	217	100	9	57	W. A. Thomas, Cofield.
Bethany	13	109	122	50	108	8	40	W. C. Hughes, Coleraine.
Brantley's Grove	10	124	134	66	70	9	67	G. T. Hoggard, Ahoskie.
Buckhorn	11	109	120	148	185	12	75	R. A. Majette, Como.
Capehart's	5	65	70	50	95	8	35	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill.
Cashie	12	125	137	---	125	12	65	T. Gilliam, Windsor.
Center Grove	8	80	88	---	110	9	50	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.
Chowan	8	75	83	---	120	12	63	J. E. Vann, Winton.
Christian Harbor	9	92	101	---	102	12	62	J. W. Holloman, Harrellsville.
Coleraine	14	157	171	---	450	12	80	D. R. Britton, Coleraine.
Connaritsa	11	76	87	75	50	9	60	C. C. Jenkins, Aulander.
Creeksville	14	95	109	---	100	12	75	Edwin Lassiter, Conway.
Conway	9	---	---	---	150	12	80	A. Lassiter, Conway.
Elam	8	71	79	---	---	12	50	C. L. Stephenson, Gumberry.
Galatia	11	88	99	---	60	10	65	J. W. Koke, Margarettsville.
Green's X Roads	7	90	97	---	336	12	60	C. W. Mizelle, Windsor.
Harrellsville	10	53	63	---	110	12	30	B. F. Williams, Harrellsville.
Hebron	6	52	58	51	65	12	35	G. M. Holloman, Woodland.
Hillside	12	78	90	---	72	7	50	C. A. Harrell, Quitsna.
Holly Grove	10	97	107	50	106	7	50	J. J. Taylor, Cremona.
Holly Springs	9	44	53	---	---	9	33	W. E. Perry, Ahoskie.
Jackson	10	45	55	40	100	12	35	P. J. Long, Jackson.
Kelford	10	95	105	36	157	12	60	J. E. Tyler, Kelford.
Lasker	8	98	106	---	100	12	75	W. R. Bridgers, Lasker.
Lawrence's X Roads	8	57	65	50	60	6	42	J. R. Phelps, Merry Hill.
Lewiston	9	135	144	86	242	12	80	J. C. Williams, Lewiston.
Margarettsville	6	30	36	38	55	12	15	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville.
Mars Hill	16	234	250	110	170	9	66	J. E. Jordan, Powellsville.
Meherrin	14	70	84	30	150	12	50	J. K. Parker, Murfreesboro.
Mt. Carmel	7	74	81	82	107	12	60	T. J. Stephenson, Seaboard.
Mt. Tabor	14	101	115	---	130	12	63	J. W. Boone, Winton.
Murfreesboro	21	100	121	100	200	12	82	S. A. Ives, Murfreesboro.
Oak Grove	9	65	74	---	98	12	40	A. E. Saunders, Aulander.
Pine Forest	7	30	37	---	---	10	20	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg.
Potocasi	12	97	109	25	110	12	70	E. B. Lassiter, Potocasi.
Pleasant Grove	8	76	84	50	90	9	44	J. S. Hughes, Annetta.
Republican	11	62	73	50	100	9	55	W. F. Cale, Windsor.
Rich Square	9	120	129	---	160	12	60	J. P. Holloman, Rich Square.
Roanoke	9	56	65	45	79	12	40	W. J. Lassiter, Lasker.
Roquist	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Robert's Chapel	13	65	78	102	150	12	65	B. F. Martin, Conway.
Ross's	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Sandy Run	11	118	129	---	150	12	79	P. C. Jenkins, Roxobel.
Seaboard	8	60	68	137	80	12	30	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard.
Siloam	7	31	38	12	26	9	15	E. Leggett, Windsor.
Seyern	18	127	155	---	---	12	82	J. A. Woodard, Seyern.
St. John's	6	87	93	15	---	12	55	R. L. Edwards, Ahoskie.
Union	16	92	108	140	166	12	74	John Freeman, Ahoskie.
Winton	10	78	88	---	125	12	52	---
Woodland	8	75	83	33	---	12	62	C. H. Griffin, Woodland.
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MISSIONARY AND SUNBEAM STATISTICS.

Churches.	Missionary Societies. Presidents and Post-offices.	Members.	Sunbeams. Presidents and Post-offices.
Ahoskie	Mrs. Vara Hayes, Ahoskie	48	Sadie Newsom, Ahoskie
Aulander	Mrs. B. J. Dunning, Aulander	12	Lillie B. Rice, Aulander
Bethlehem	Mrs. M. G. Thomas, Cofield	78	Mrs. Sue Britton, Cofield
Bethany	Cassie Robertson, Coleraime	102	
Brantley's Grove	Julia Green, Ahoskie	30	Josephine Vann, Como
Buckhorn	Margaret Howell, Como	35	
Capehart's	Mrs. G. A. Harden, Merry Hill	40	Mrs. R. D. Stephenson, Windsor
Cashie	Mrs. R. D. Stephenson, Windsor	35	
Center Grove		23	Miss Ethel Britt, Winton
Chowan	Mrs. J. E. Vann, Winton	17	Mrs. M. P. Davis, Coleraime
Christian Harbor	Dunnie Winborne, Harrellsville	100	
Coleraime	Mrs. D. R. Britton, Coleraime	21	Mary Vinson, Conway
Connaritsa		7	
Creeksville	Bessie Smith, Conway	60	
Conway	Mary P. Martin, Conway	22	Miss Ada Liverman, Harrellsville
Elam		32	Lenwood Futrell, Woodland
Galatia	Mrs. D. W. Taylor, Seaboard	17	
Green's X Roads	Miss Martha P. Asbell, Windsor	21	
Harrellsville	Mrs. A. C. Williams, Harrellsville	50	
Hebron		20	
Hillside		47	
Holly Grove	Rosa Holloman, Cremona	34	
Holly Springs		23	
Jackson		25	
Kelford	Mrs. M. W. Harrell, Kelford	25	Miss Ella Tyler, Kelford
Lasker	Mrs. Dorcas Morehead, Lasker	50	
Lawrence's X Roads	Caroline E. Britt, Merry Hill	20	Nora A. Bazemore, Lewiston
Lewiston	Lee Bridger, Lewiston	47	
Margaretsville	Miss Maud Stancell, Margaretsville	34	
Mars Hill		24	
Meherrin	Mrs. J. R. Parker, Murfreesboro	54	Miss Eula Wise, Murfreesboro
Mt. Carmel		25	
Mt. Tabor	Mrs. E. B. Vaughan, Mapleton	25	
Murfreesboro	Mrs. D. A. Day, Murfreesboro	25	Hazel Bunch, Murfreesboro
Oak Grove	Mrs. W. M. Marsh, Aulander	25	
Pine Forest		43	
Potecasi	Miss Mamie Baugham, Potecasi	34	Miss Lizzie Barnes, Potecasi
Pleasant Grove	Miss Anna Wilder, Annetta	25	
Republican	Miss Blanche Pritchard, Aulander	25	Estelle Dempsey, Windsor
Rich Square	Mrs. J. P. Lassiter, Rich Square	43	
Roanoke	N. R. Draper, Lasker	34	
Roquist		24	
Robert's Chapel	Miss Mary Johnson, Pendleton	17	
Ross's		52	Miss Julia Watson, Roxobel
Sandy Run	Mrs. George Harrell, Roxobel	17	
Seaboard		52	
Siloam		20	
Severn	Mrs. G. W. Pruden, Severn	31	Miss Lillie Pruden, Severn
St. John's	Mrs. Lucy A. Britton, Ahoskie		C. B. Vaughan, Ahoskie
Union	Mrs. T. N. Charles, Ahoskie		
Winton	Mrs. H. H. Jones, Winton		Miss Mattie Deans, Winton
Woodland	Mrs. C. H. Griffin, Woodland		Miss Fay Holloman, Woodland

CHURCH EXPENSES.

Churches.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Repairs to Buildings and Grounds.	Poor Fund.	Minute Fund.	Sunday School.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$400.00	\$79.70	\$184.00	\$137.10	\$3.00	\$56.97	\$860.7
Aulander	300.00	134.65	522.40	35.00	2.50	27.83	1,024.88
Bethlehem	200.00	36.75		15.00	2.50	15.85	270.10
Bethany	175.00		50.00	20.88	2.20	5.00	253.08
Brantley's Grove	125.00	9.43	62.00	14.91	2.21	30.45	243.00
Buckhorn	400.00	25.00			2.00	20.76	447.76
Capehart's	200.00	21.00		68.36	2.50	5.15	297.01
Cashie	650.00	90.64	39.72	14.00	2.50	30.00	826.86
Center Grove	150.00	25.00			2.00	7.00	184.00
Chowan	400.00	75.00	60.00	11.70	2.50	72.69	621.89
Christian Harbor	228.00	27.00	38.65	49.40	1.50	10.67	355.22
Coleraine	225.00	50.00	2,551.42	9.23	3.00	32.55	2,871.20
Connaritsa	215.00	25.00		31.98	2.50	5.58	280.01
Creeksville	125.00	12.00	50.00	3.50	1.00		191.50
Conway	150.00	32.00	311.52	3.06	2.00	35.45	534.03
Elam	130.00	8.00		11.93	1.50	18.48	169.91
Galatia	150.00	18.00	150.00		2.00	6.00	326.00
Green's X Roads	150.00		122.64	12.00	.80	13.06	298.50
Harrellsville	250.00	45.00			2.00	10.27	307.27
Hebron	200.00	21.00	2.00		2.00	10.00	235.00
Hillside	50.00	7.61			.50		58.11
Holly Grove	150.00	35.00		4.00	1.50	7.08	197.58
Holly Springs	68.00			4.09	1.00	9.00	82.09
Jackson	200.00	20.20	1,700.00		1.00	30.55	1,951.75
Kelford	200.00	50.00	175.00		1.50	17.15	443.65
Lasker	200.00	22.64	200.00		1.00		423.64
Lawrence Cross Roads	150.00	31.00	6.04	5.87	1.40		194.31
Lewiston	400.00	48.00	61.38	12.30	2.50	66.88	591.06
Margarettsville	100.00	20.00	1,000.00		.50	24.80	1,145.30
Mars Hill	250.00	37.50	103.75	12.91	3.50	6.17	413.83
Meherrin	350.00	76.53		39.46	3.00		468.99
Mount Carmel	200.00	21.17			1.00	14.75	237.52
Mount Tabor	450.00	4.86	6.06	31.86	2.00	30.90	525.68
Murfreesboro	400.00	86.70			2.00	61.38	550.08
Oak Grove	125.00	72.10				33.43	230.53
Pine Forest	100.00				.75	11.88	112.63
Potocasi	200.00	58.44		3.12	3.00	17.72	282.28
Pleasant Grove	200.00		8.00	8.54	2.00	6.00	224.54
Republican	200.00	18.95		30.30	3.00		252.25
Rich Square	200.00	26.35			1.50	30.00	257.85
Roanoke	100.00	12.00		6.25	1.00	9.40	128.65
Roquist	75.00	12.00			.50		87.50
Roberts Chapel	350.00	31.78	21.40		3.00	19.74	425.92
Ross's	200.00		24.00	64.39	3.00		291.39
Sandy Run	200.00	40.00	25.00	5.24	2.00	20.61	292.85
Seaboard	200.00	25.00	4.25		1.00	12.00	242.25
Siloam	50.00				1.00		51.00
Severn	250.00	56.00	150.00	5.00	2.50	36.57	500.07
St. John's	125.00		60.00		.50		185.50
Union	350.00	86.00		50.00	2.50	28.80	516.89
Winton	300.00	37.50	35.00	5.00	2.00	85.50	465.00
Woodland	150.00	98.42	2.00	5.00	2.00	15.98	273.40
Total	11,368.00	1,771.52	7,726.23	729.33	95.86	1,007.64	22,698.58

FINANCIAL TABLE—CHURCHES.

Churches.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$80.00	\$20.00	\$45.00	\$6.00	\$4.33	\$20.00	\$6.00	\$85.60	\$266.93
Aulander	60.00	72.90	103.45		133.33	20.00	7.10		396.78
Bethlehem	50.00	17.40	42.25	15.00	125.00	21.00	5.00	63.85	339.50
Bethany	20.00	12.00	20.00				2.00		54.00
Brantley's Grove	24.00	13.00	24.00	16.07			2.00		79.07
Buckhorn	75.00	56.12	115.00	70.45		25.00		77.02	418.69
Capehart's	38.00	20.00	35.00	6.25		6.00		33.46	138.71
Cashie	31.01	7.48	45.36	104.44	63.00	3.00			251.29
Center Grove	40.00	18.00	30.00			8.00	5.00	70.00	171.00
Chowan	67.67	49.43	53.07	91.19	33.34	50.00	5.00		349.70
Christian Harbor	30.00	22.08	32.83	40.62	3.00	5.00	3.60	32.01	165.14
Coleraine	47.00	30.00	77.00	38.27		12.00	5.00	33.25	242.52
Connaritsa	30.00	22.50	30.00	14.34	50.00	10.00		12.58	169.42
Creeksville	15.00	12.00	15.00	8.00					50.00
Conway	35.12	15.00	35.00		20.00	10.00	5.00	30.90	151.02
Elam	7.50	7.50	12.50	9.18		7.50			44.18
Galatia	21.00	10.50	25.00	4.00		5.00	5.00	25.00	95.50
Green's X Roads	18.00	12.00	10.00	6.00		2.00		36.78	84.78
Harrellsville	40.00	20.00	50.00	12.63	53.50	6.00	1.38	13.75	197.26
Hebron	25.00	18.00	25.00	30.00	5.00	6.00		5.00	114.00
Hillside	7.00	4.00	4.00	1.00		2.00			18.00
Holly Grove	23.00	15.00	25.00	9.87		8.00		2.50	83.37
Holly Springs	10.28	5.06	5.06	5.00		2.50	2.00		29.90
Jackson	25.00	18.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	5.00		37.41	125.41
Kelford	30.00	30.00	35.00	15.00	33.33	6.00			149.33
Lasker	15.00	5.00	5.00	5.00		3.00	4.22	18.42	55.64
Lawrence's X Roads	32.00	12.00	25.00	7.00			2.50	32.72	110.22
Lewiston	49.80	20.00	27.50	19.85	66.33	10.00	15.38	18.00	225.86
Margarettsville	16.00	16.00	16.00		5.00	6.00		40.00	99.00
Mars Hill	40.00	40.30	154.35	123.70	27.10	11.20	5.57		402.29
Meherrin	36.35	35.00	50.00	20.30	15.00	15.00			171.35
Mt. Carmel	10.00		16.65				7.58		34.23
Mt. Tabor	36.85	26.94	46.72	62.00	75.00	10.00		60.75	318.26
Murfreesboro	50.00	50.00	50.00	26.25		20.00	5.00	5.00	206.25
Oak Grove	17.74	15.00	15.00	9.73		5.00			62.47
Pine Forest	12.00	8.00	12.00					10.00	42.00
Potocasi	40.00	20.00	25.00	22.76		11.00		16.10	134.86
Pleasant Grove	35.00	20.00	35.00	31.10		10.00			131.10
Republican	28.00	15.00	30.00			7.00		28.00	108.00
Rich Square	25.00	10.00	25.00			5.00	6.00		71.00
Roanoke	5.00	6.50	8.50	3.27				16.09	39.36
Roquist	8.00	7.00	7.00			2.00			24.00
Robert's Chapel	50.00	35.00	70.00	51.12		15.00		209.84	430.96
Ross's	50.00	35.00	35.00	8.00		6.00		18.55	152.55
Sandy Run	30.00	30.00	30.00			10.00	5.25	73.00	178.25
Seaboard	22.00	12.00	16.00			5.00		40.00	95.00
Siloam	2.50	2.00	2.50			2.00			9.00
Seyern	30.00	25.00	40.00	20.00		8.00	5.00	37.25	175.25
St. John's	10.00		15.00					12.00	37.00
Union	38.00	25.76	30.00	57.75		20.00		44.50	216.01
Winton	25.00	18.00	20.00	4.90	9.00	12.00		11.75	100.65
Woodland	27.50	20.00	30.00	15.10		6.00			98.60
Total	1,591.32	1,056.91	1,751.69	1,000.94	731.26	378.20	110.58	1,251.05	8,058.60

FINANCIAL TABLE—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Churches.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$81.66	\$5.02	\$101.68
Aulander				84.00		84.00
Bethlehem				29.87		29.87
Bethany					2.00	2.00
Brantley's Grove						
Buckhorn				121.62		121.62
Capehart's						
Cashie	17.99	9.74	11.29	60.00	25.83	124.85
Center Grove				65.00		65.00
Chowan		12.25	5.25	120.00		137.25
Christian Harbor		2.00	3.00	10.96		15.96
Coleraine				42.00	5.15	47.15
Connaritsa						
Creeksville						
Conway			6.50	21.75		28.25
Elam	5.00		2.07	53.78		60.85
Galatia				5.00		5.00
Green's Cross Roads			1.80			1.80
Harrellsville				30.00		30.00
Hebron				10.00		10.00
Hillside						
Holly Grove				19.70		19.70
Holly Springs						
Jackson						
Kelford		2.00	1.89	44.51	33.30	81.70
Lasker						
Lawrence Cross Roads				5.60		5.60
Lewiston				61.88		61.88
Margarettsville						
Mars Hill	6.99	6.90		43.94	24.00	81.83
Meherrin	1.50		1.50	12.00		13.50
Mount Carmel				19.54		19.54
Mount Tabor				61.27	5.00	66.21
Murfreesboro	7.27	5.00	5.00	42.86	6.07	66.20
Oak Grove						
Pine Forest						
Potecasi	4.00	4.00	4.00	42.19		54.19
Pleasant Grove				5.31		5.31
Republican						
Rich Square						
Roanoke				1.40	3.43	4.83
Roquist						
Robert's Chapel	6.59	6.71	10.72	77.88		101.90
Ross's						
Sandy Run				77.40	5.00	82.40
Seaboard				20.00		20.00
Siloam						
Severn				79.67		79.67
St. John's				22.79		22.79
Union	15.00	14.24	15.00	75.00		119.24
Winton						
Woodland				9.44	23.00	32.44
Total	69.34	67.84	73.02	473.93	137.80	831.93

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Missionary Society.						Sunbeams.					Total Benevolence.
	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Other Objects.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Other Objects.	Total.	
Ahoskie	\$27.50	\$21.25	\$15.40	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$6.35	\$2.40		\$5.50	\$1.70	\$110.10	\$47.50
Aulander	11.01	3.00	21.50		20.00	18.49					74.00	56.00
Bethlehem	5.00	3.60	2.75					\$8.00	11.25		30.60	38.00
Bethany												7.00
Brantley's Grove												7.00
Buckhorn				8.85		95.87					103.72	64.00
Capehart's	12.00										12.00	50.00
Cashie	21.00	25.00	25.00			20.00	5.00	10.00	18.35	6.00	130.35	23.00
Center Grove												61.00
Chowan	30.00	30.00	40.00		10.00		7.32	8.32	1.68		127.32	18.00
Christian Harbor			5.00								5.00	34.00
Coleraine		8.50	13.15	14.10			2.50	8.30	6.40		52.95	16.00
Connaritsa												19.00
Creeksville												1.00
Conway	1.85		5.00	5.00		1.00			2.90		15.75	1.00
Elam												1.00
Galatia												1.00
Green's X Roads			10.00								10.00	38.00
Harrellsville	25.67	16.10	28.50	41.32			16.00	8.05	34.82		170.46	1.00
Hebron												1.00
Hillside												1.00
Holly Grove	5.40		6.85			1.50					13.75	1.00
Holly Springs												1.00
Jackson												1.00
Kelford	8.00	7.60	7.00	10.00		1.00	5.00	5.00	5.00		48.60	2.00
Lasker												1.00
Lawrence's X R'ds	1.90	2.00	12.00								15.90	1.00
Lewiston	5.16	4.15	7.81				3.25		2.00		21.87	1.00
Margarettsville	5.45	3.50	9.50								18.45	1.00
Mars Hill												4.00
Meherrin	12.50	5.41	17.77			5.00					40.68	2.00
Mt. Carmel												4.00
Mt. Tabor	41.00	15.99	21.00			5.35	2.69	2.73	3.00		91.76	8.00
Murfreesboro	17.20	28.05	22.40			22.40	2.60	5.50	5.49	8.10	111.74	8.00
Oak Grove												8.00
Pine Forest												8.00
Potocasi		5.00	32.07	10.00			3.90	4.11			55.08	7.00
Pleasant Grove	3.90		3.25								7.15	1.00
Republican	5.80	3.80	13.00		11.25	2.41					36.26	1.00
Rich Square	3.50	3.15	17.25								23.90	1.00
Roanoke	3.00					2.50					5.50	1.00
Roquist												1.00
Robert's Chapel	2.92					3.14					6.06	1.00
Ross's												1.00
Sandy Run	2.90	2.79				7.45		2.95	2.21		20.20	1.00
Seaboard	4.20	2.50	7.50								14.20	1.00
Siloam												1.00
Severn	8.10	6.30	4.80			1.50	2.94	2.81	2.38		28.83	1.00
St. John's									2.81		2.81	1.00
Union	15.00	20.00	15.00	3.00			2.00				55.00	1.00
Winton	4.00	9.25	16.00			4.00	1.00	7.48	2.00	5.00	48.73	1.00
Woodland	5.36		12.22				2.20		3.15		21.93	1.00
Total	279.32	226.90	390.32	107.27	56.25	197.96	60.81	73.25	108.94	20.80	1,521.86	11.00

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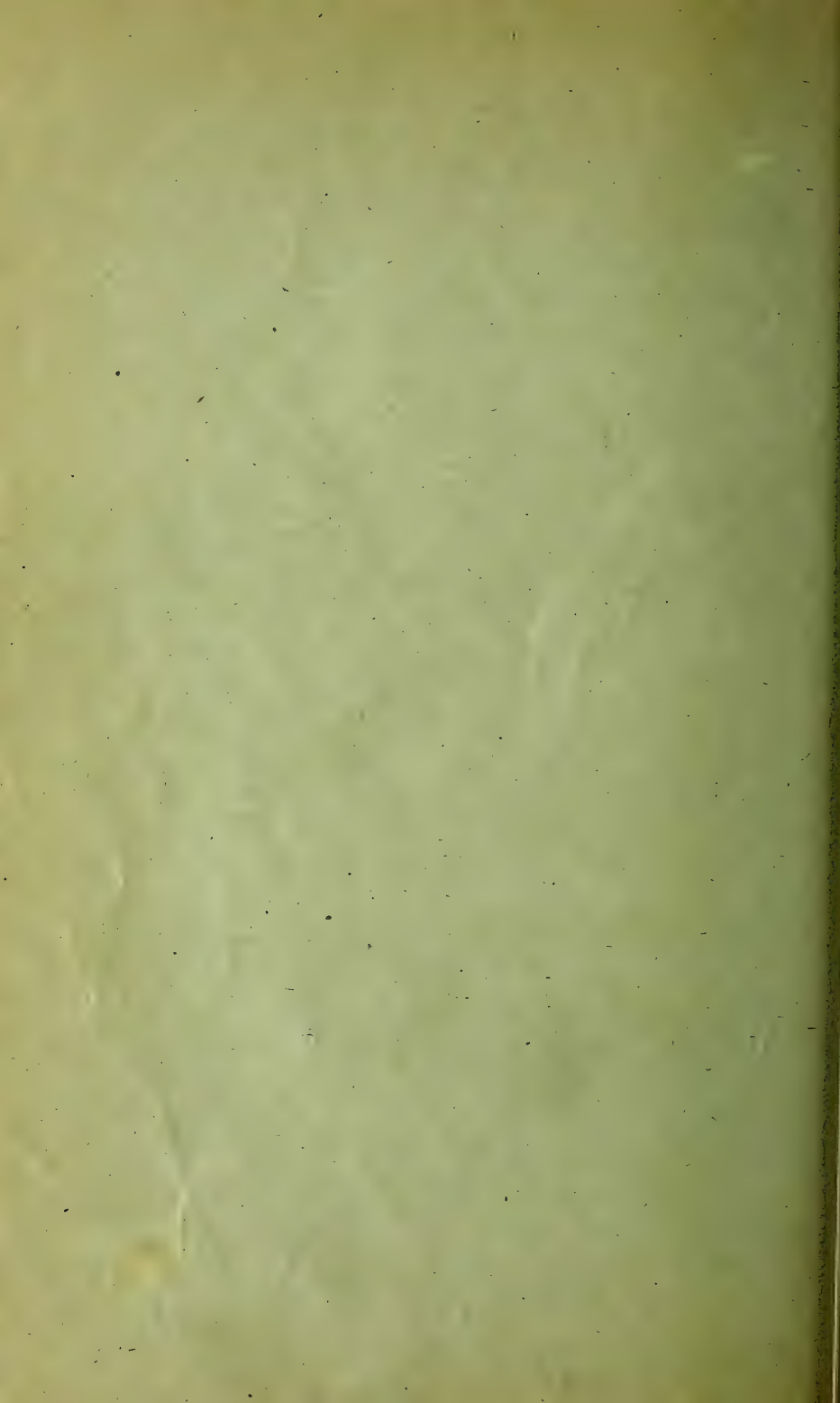
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STANDING COMMITTEES.

Foreign Missions—Q. C. Davis, F. P. Britt, H. J. Ward.
State Missions—J. H. Poteat, B. J. Ricks, Josiah Earley.
Home Missions—J. C. Scarborough, C. H. Griffin, W. M. Watson.
Ministers' Relief—W. P. Shaw, J. R. Phelps, Geo. A. Brown.
C. B. F. Institute—R. L. Gay, C. E. Martin, J. G. Joyner.
Baptist Orphanage—T. T. Speight, E. B. Lassiter, J. H. Matthews.
Education—M. A. Adams, G. C. Picot, F. W. Bridgers.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Daney Cale	Potecasi, N. C.
M. L. Green	Ahoskie, N. C.
S. B. Barnes	Ahoskie, N. C.
C. W. Scarborough	Woodland, N. C.
T. T. Speight	Windsor, N. C.
R. T. White	Conway, N. C.
J. R. Mathews	Aulander, N. C.
A. T. Howell	Murfreesboro, N. C.
M. A. Adams	Ahoskie, N. C.
Q. C. Davis	Windsor, N. C.
R. L. Gay	Aulander, N. C.
M. P. Davis	Coleraine, N. C.
J. F. Cale	Roxobel, N. C.
L. A. Parker	Menola, N. C.
John Barnes	Pendleton, N. C.
W. B. Waff	Conway, N. C.
A. C. Sherwood	Winton, N. C.
J. H. Poteat	Como, N. C.

- Pastors, but not residing in the Association:

J. A. Speight	Berkley, Va.
A. Cree	Embro, N. C.
C. D. Creasman	Wake Forest, N. C.
C. H. Robertson	
A. Cory	Washington, N. C.

OFFICERS.

T. Gillam, <i>Moderator</i>	Windsor, N. C.
J. T. Williams, <i>Vice-Moderator</i>	Harrellsville, N. C.
N. W. Britton, <i>Clerk</i>	Winton, N. C.
J. P. Freeman, <i>Treasurer</i>	Union, N. C.
J. F. Cale, <i>Historian</i>	Roxobel, N. C.

The officers constitute the Executive Committee of the Association.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the NORTH CAROLINA WEST CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERSHIP.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: *Provided*, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECTS.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

Art. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative council, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but can not bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements; or upon application of a church for dismission.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality; (2) the names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post-offices; (3) the Sabbaths of regular service; (4) the church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female; (5) Sabbath School statistics; (6) amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund; (7) names of delegates and alternates; (8) any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session,

after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order, and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian, who shall be elected at each annual meeting of the body, to report at the next succeeding meeting, to prepare for publication in the Minutes an historical sketch of the church with which the Association meets, with obituaries, incidents and other facts of the year that should be preserved.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved, 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. (Adopted 1898.)

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that selling intoxicating liquors through a dispensary is a violation of the spirit and letter of the resolution of our Constitution. (1905.)

 RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own adjournment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, nor finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

- 11:00 a. m.—Introductory Sermon.
12:00 m. —Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
12:30 p. m.—Recess.
2:00 p. m.—Report of Committee on Credentials; organize, read Constitution;
call names of churches that failed to represent themselves at
last session; receive new churches; invite visitors; appoint Com-
mittees.
3:00 p. m.—Report on Chowan Baptist Female Institute.
4:00 p. m.—Assignment of homes.
Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

- 9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
9:45 a. m.—Report on Church Statistics.
10:00 a. m.—Report on Baptist Orphanage.
11:00 a. m.—Report on Foreign Missions.
12:00 m. —Report on State Missions.
1:00 p. m.—Recess.
2:40 p. m.—Report on Education.
3:40 p. m.—Report on Ministers' Relief Board.
4:00 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business.
Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

- 9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
9:45 a. m.—Routine Business.
10:00 a. m.—Report on Home Missions.
11:30 a. m.—Report of Committees.
12:00 m. —Miscellaneous Business.
Adjournment.

M. P. DAVIS,
R. L. GAY,
T. T. SPEIGHT,
Committee.

PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, October 26, 1909.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met this day in its twenty-seventh annual session with Bethlehem Church, Hertford County.

R. D. Stephenson preached the Introductory Sermon from Matthew 16:27.

The Moderator, W. P. Shaw, called the Association to order, after which the roll of churches was called and the delegates enrolled, as follows:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Ahoskie—J. T. Parker, A. B. Cowan, C. C. Hoggard.
Aulander—C. W. Mitchell, W. S. Dunning, J. L. Harrington.
Bethlehem—R. P. Thomas, W. P. Shaw, J. A. Slaughter.
Bethany—E. E. Daniel, Jas. Daniel, L. W. Hughes.
Brantley's Grove—L. R. Dilday, J. F. Dilday, B. F. Barham.
Buckhorn—S. D. Howell, G. C. Picot, R. J. Taylor.
Capehart's—G. W. Cobb, H. J. Ward, W. L. Baker, F. P. Britt.
Cashie—J. H. Mathews, T. Gillam, E. L. Gatling.
Center Grove—J. D. Jenkins, A. C. Overton.
Chowan—N. W. Britton, W. P. Taylor.
Christian Harbor—Levy Baker, E. V. Grissom.
Coleraine—W. H. Harrell, E. White, H. E. Wilson,* J. E. D. Perry.
Connaritsa—J. H. Hall, J. S. Jenkins, Josiah Early.
Creeksville—F. W. Bridgers, M. C. Lassiter.*
Conway—B. J. Ricks, H. J. Davis.
Elam—B. C. Stephenson, J. E. Capel.*
Galatia—Lee Davis,* W. E. Lewter,* D. W. Taylor,* J. H. Deberry.
Green's Cross Roads—G. W. Castellow, C. W. Mizell, M. D. Cale.*
Harrellsville—J. T. Williams, Marcellus Newsome.
Hebron—W. A. Futrell, Eston Griffin,* J. P. Griffin.
Hillside—S. Bunch, Wiley Sanders.
Holly Grove—M. R. Barnes, W. L. Vaughan.
Holly Springs—J. R. Wilder, W. D. McGlaughan.
Jackson—B. S. Gay,* Edwin Wright.*
Kelford—W. C. Evans, Geo. T. Brown.
Lasker—Hilery Davis, G. W. Grant.
Lawrence's Cross Roads—J. W. Longdale, J. R. Phelps, D. J. Coffield.
Lewiston—W. Mitchell, Obid Early, W. D. Mizell.
Margarettsville—J. G. Stancell, C. E. Martin.
Mars Hill—L. P. Freeman, J. L. Harrell,* G. W. Belch, Walter Low.
Meherrin—P. C. Parker, J. T. Chitty,* W. S. Nelson, J. J. Parker.*
Mt. Carmel—J. G. Joyner, C. E. Erekson, H. T. Boyd.*
Mt. Tabor—A. I. Parker,* J. D. Sewell, J. A. Parker, C. W. Stephenson.
Murfreesboro—J. C. Scarborough, R. Sewell, J. D. Bruner.
Menola—Council Parker, C. W. Parker,* J. T. Chitty.
Oak Grove—J. B. Lassiter, S. E. Marsh.*
Pine Forest—T. P. High, J. R. Carstarphen.
Potecasi—C. R. Harrell, E. B. Lassiter, J. R. Baugham, Jesse Colston.
Pleasant Grove—J. S. Hughes, Kader Powell, C. W. Blow.
Republican—G. W. White, J. H. Burden, Levi Hoggard, J. P. Bazemore.
Rich Square—J. P. Lassiter, W. J. Lassiter, J. P. Holloman.
Roanoke—J. L. Newsome, A. E. Glover.
Roquist—J. G. Pritchard, J. M. Yates.*
Robert's Chapel—D. N. Stephenson, W. M. Watson, J. E. Johnson.
Ross's—W. T. Evans,* J. B. Mitchell, J. H. Lawrence,* J. L. Morris.*

* Absent.

Sandy Run—B. F. Burkett, J. A. Watson, J. C. Tyner, J. F. Cale.

Seaboard—Ernest Long,* John Whitehead.*

Siloam—N. T. Leggett, L. N. Speller.

Severn—M. M. Long, G. T. Fleetwood, J. N. Stephenson.

St. John's—S. E. Vaughan, W. P. Futrell.

Union—Julian Brown, J. P. Freeman.

Winton—Jas. S. Mitchell, Jas. A. Clark.*

Woodland—G. M. Holloman, C. H. Griffin, C. Parker.*

Committee on Credentials were appointed by the Moderator, as follows:

C. W. Scarborough, J. G. Joyner, W. S. Nelson, Council Parker, J. T. Williams.

On motion, the Association adjourned for dinner, with prayer by J. H. Poteat.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 2 o'clock, and was led in prayer by Livingston Johnson.

The Committee on Credentials report:

So far as we have been able to ascertain, all the churches are in accord with the Constitution and entitled to representation.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH, *for Committee.*

The next business before the Association was the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: T. Gillam, Moderator; J. T. Williams, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; J. P. Freeman, Treasurer; J. F. Cale, Historian.

M. A. Adams read the Constitution and Rules of Order.

L. R. Pruett of Charlotte, C. P. Scott of Virginia, A. Johnson of the Orphanage, T. C. Britton, returned missionary from Soochow, China, J. H. Spaulding of Virginia, S. F. Conrad of Charlotte, J. S. Farmer of the *Biblical Recorder*, Livingston Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board, T. G. Wood, C. E. Edwards, G. E. Lineberry, R. D. Stephenson, were recognized as visitors and a welcome was extended them.

R. P. Thomas extended a welcome to the delegates and visitors of this session of the Association, to which R. L. Gay responded.

A. Cree and T. L. Brown, who are serving churches in this Association, were present.

R. D. Stephenson read the

REPORT ON CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The Chowan Baptist Female Institute has stood for more than fifty years a center of light to all Eastern North Carolina. How well this school has fulfilled its mission, we can best judge by looking at its work. From the foundation to the present time it has been one of the most powerful forces for building up and maintaining a refined Christian character. We look back on its history with much pride, we witness its present with rejoicing, and its future we pray may be such in power and influence that every home in these Associations will feel its touch and every heart love its thrill.

The Institute is doing good work and maintaining her standard of excellency. There are now enrolled 100 students—60 boarders in the institution and 40 day pupils.

Since our last Association met the management of the school has been changed. The President and teachers are this year elected and paid a given salary, and they in turn run the school for the Association.

In the present faculty there are eleven instructors, three of whom were teachers last year, and eight who never taught there before.

Bible has been introduced in the course. There are two normal courses being taught in the Institute. Seven new pianos have been placed in the school.

In regard to the debt on the Institution, we find balance in hand at last report \$202.38, and that \$1,918.58 was paid during this year, and that a balance of \$7,625.00 remains yet unpaid. The committee suggests that the Association pay the indebtedness of the Institution as soon as possible, and that each Baptist in the Association thoroughly identify himself or herself with the Trustees and managers of the school, so that this plan of operation shall be a success.

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was spoken to by J. D. Bruner, J. C. Scarborough, M. P. Davis, A. T. Howell, J. A. Speight, R. L. Gay, C. W. Mitchell, and adopted.

The following committees were appointed:

Time and Place—R. P. Thomas, E. L. Gatling, B. C. Stephenson.

Finance—C. R. Harrell, Geo. T. Brown, L. P. Freeman.

At this point the Committee on Hospitality assigned homes to the delegates and visitors.

The Association adjourned, with prayer by J. A. Speight.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The devotional services were conducted by G. E. Lineberry.

On motion, an opportunity was given S. F. Conrad to present a statement of his work at Charlotte. He asked for some help for his work.

On motion, it is ordered that the discussions on the different subjects close ten minutes before the time allotted in the Order of Business.

M. P. Davis presented the

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Thomasville Baptist Orphanage was founded in 1885, and J. H. Mills was the first General Manager. For ten years he struggled to get the institution on its feet and lay it on the hearts of the Baptist people of North Carolina. At the end of his administration he had buildings and cottages to shelter 150 children, and a farm of nearly three hundred acres.

In the year 1895 Bro. Mills retired, and J. B. Boone was elected his successor. The institution had been laid on the hearts of the people to a great extent and this burden was never felt, to any extent, by Bro. Boone. But he found the need of enlargement pressing heavily upon him, and during his administration of ten years he rebuilt all the old buildings, except the Watson House, which has been rebuilt during the present administration. In addition to the rebuilding, a number of new and handsome houses were built, including the Central School Building and the Dining Hall, where 240 children take their meals. A supply of fine water comes from a well 876 feet deep, through gray granite, and a splendid system of waterworks was a crown of his great work.

In the year 1905 Bro. Boone retired and M. L. Kesler was called from the pastorate of Morganton Church to become General Manager. He, still remembering the things that filled his boyhood with joy, and knowing all children naturally love the beautiful, addressed himself to the task of beautifying the

grounds and making the surroundings such as would call forth the best and most beautiful in the children. We are told that the grounds rival our own Chowan Baptist Female Institute campus.

The number of boys in the different industrial departments has been greatly increased. A laundry has been added to the equipment, which is a very helpful feature. The splendid new Aydlette Dormitory has been built. The farm has been enlarged until we now have 450 acres of good average quality. Under the direction of Treasurer S. H. Averitt, the boys produce much wheat, corn, peas, potatoes, hay, and an abundance of vegetables, which furnish no little part towards the support of the Orphanage.

The shoe-shop employs six or more boys, who turn out nearly one thousand pairs of shoes each year. The office of *Charity and Children* keeps six or more boys employed, where they are taught the useful and practical art of typesetting. From this office many boys have gone out who are now holding honorable places in many sections of our State. The woodshop is employing an equal number of boys, who are trained in the handling of tools. The shop is chiefly devoted to matching, planing and dressing lumber. This department, in our judgment, should be greatly enlarged to employ more boys and do a greater variety of work.

In connection with the Orphanage there is a good school of eight grades, in which competent Christian teachers are employed. The school term is ten months. Each child attends school one-half of each day and the other half is given to work, play and recreation—all three necessary for the full development of a child.

The Infirmary or Woman's Building will stand for years to come as the crowning work of the present administration. This building, though completed this year, has already been a wonderful blessing. The few cases of scarlet fever this past summer might, and very likely would, have been one of the greatest scourges the institution ever had, had it not been for the Infirmary. The old Infirmary has been rearranged and is now the Central Sewing Building, where the girls are taught the very important work of sewing.

Since the Orphanage was established, nearly twelve hundred children have been committed to its care. There are now 390 children in the Orphanage.

We must have larger contributions to meet our growing expenses. Almost everything we eat and wear is costing more than ever before.

By referring to the minutes of our last session, we find that eighteen churches did not contribute anything through the Sunday Schools, and five churches did not contribute anything through any department of the church. It is gratifying to know that our churches and Sunday Schools and Woman's Missionary Societies gave last year the sum of \$1,582.14 to the support of our Orphanage; yet a blush of shame comes to our faces when we are forced to acknowledge that one out of every ten of our churches gives nothing to this great work. The institution is several thousand dollars behind in its running expenses. We earnestly recommend that each Sunday School take a monthly offering, and that each church take one collection, and that this collection be a thanksgiving collection taken on Thanksgiving or on some regular appointment during the coming winter months.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. WILLIAMS.

M. P. DAVIS.

The report was discussed by M. P. Davis and Archibald Johnson, and was adopted.

C. W. Scarborough read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The spirit of missions is the Spirit of Christ, and comes into the heart when Christ comes in. Missions dominate the life purpose of the Christian when Christ fills the heart, and a knowledge of Christ's word fills the mind; and when to these is added an intelligent conception of the religious needs of the world, missions

become to the individual Christian and to the individual church what it was to Paul and to Christ—a passion. To know Christ experimentally is to desire to know His will and word concerning us, and to know this is to desire to find those who know neither His word nor His will, and lovingly and persistently insist that they shall know and embrace Him. The early Christians loved Christ. That was about all one could have said of them. In their hearts with that love was much littleness, and prejudice, and hatred, and ignorance. But Christ was patient; He taught them, showed them how to do, and after awhile the love conquered; Christ was larger than the Jewish race, He was the Son of Man, and was no respecter of persons. In spite of their prejudice and almost before they knew it, they spake to others of His great love, and Christ began to win His own.

Nearly eight hundred years before Paul's day, God had the salvation of the Gentiles on His heart, and in His purpose; and when in the hearing of the Gentiles Paul said: "For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light to the Gentiles, that thou shouldst be for salvation unto the ends of the earth," no wonder they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord.

Truly we are on the foundations of the apostles and prophets in the work before us to-day. To carry out the purposes of God as revealed in His Word, our Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Va., is conducting our Foreign Mission work with an economy and success which commend themselves to every thoughtful mind.

China, Africa, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, and Argentina are the fields of our work. There are probably eight hundred million human souls in these countries combined. Nearly all these countries are susceptible of great development, and have before them great possibilities of material prosperity and of political influence and power. Japan to its finger tips is tingling with new life, new ambitions, and it has pluck and brains enough to make good. Brazil is looming large on the national horizon. Its area is almost equal to that of the United States; it has varied and abundant agricultural and mineral products, and its cotton factories alone employ two hundred thousand hands. Argentina, one of our new responsibilities, is probably the coming country of South America. It is about one-third as large as the United States. Its splendid climate and vast resources attract every year more immigrants than any other country in the world except our own. All the world knows that China—once self-satisfied, exclusive, glorying in its own shame—is beginning to stir, to realize its powers; that it has heard the beckoning call of a higher destiny, that its mental life is being quickened and invigorated by new learning, that it is asking why other nations have outstripped it, and is dreaming of the time when it may defy the earth. Oh, the possibilities of these countries when Christ shall rule them! When Tyndall, 373 years ago, was strangled at the stake and burned, he prayed with his last breath: "Lord, open the King of England's eyes." Our God is opening the eyes and hearts of the nations beyond as never before. Do we not need to pray that the eyes of Christian people may be opened to see, and enter the doors opened by the Lord?

Our Southern Baptist Convention is sending to the countries I have named, 231 missionaries and 98 ordained native helpers. There are also 13 medical missionaries, and these are doing as effective work as any class of our workers. The Board during the year 1908-1909, sent out 21 new missionaries. Of these, China was given 10, Mexico 3, Africa 2, Argentina 4, Italy 2.

The contributions for the year were \$460,797.62, an increase of \$58,469.46, and our Board reported a debt of \$31,706.25.

Though we have not undertaken what we should have done, the results of our work are inspiring. Our medical missionaries have treated 42,659 patients, 10,430 have been taught in our Sunday Schools. In our day and boarding schools there were 4,283 scholars, 100 students in our colleges, and 176 in our theological training schools. The number of baptisms was 2,905, an increase of 731 over last year.

Our growth may be seen by a comparison of the work ten years ago. Then we had 82 missionaries, now 231; then 100 churches and 57 houses of worship, now 259 churches and 162 houses of worship; then 845 baptisms, now 2,905;

then a total membership in all our missions of 5,347, now 16,596; then we gave \$109,267.43, now \$460,797.62.

In view of manifest tokens of God's blessings on our work, the larger opportunities given us in the Spirit-opened hearts, and opportune times for work, and in consideration of the blessings of obedience which come to the individual Christian and to the churches from liberal giving, your committee recommend that our churches increase their contributions, and stand in line with the average Southern Baptist in liberality and largeness of the blessings of God.

C. W. SCARBOROUGH, *for Committee.*

Remarks were made by C. W. Scarborough on the report, after which T. C. Britton, missionary to Soochow, China, addressed the Association on the work in China. At this point the Association was led in prayer by T. C. Britton. Pledges for next year were made, and the report was adopted.

Livingston Johnson read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

For seventy-eight years the Baptists of North Carolina have been prosecuting the work of State Missions. Indeed, the chief consideration that led to the organization of the Convention, was the evangelization of our State. The influence of State Mission work upon our denominational life can never be fully known this side of the eternal world. It is safe to say that at least half the churches in our State were organized by the missionaries of our Board, and these churches are contributing at least two-thirds of the money that goes into our denominational treasury. Every department of the work is feeling the impulse of State Missions.

But aside from the financial consideration, which is the least important, State Missions have influenced our denominational life very vitally in many ways. Through the work of State Missions there have been added to our numbers daily such as are being saved. For the last several years over two thousand souls have been led to Christ each year by the missionaries of our Board.

State Missions, as nothing else, has crystallized our forces, and created a denominational spirit. State Missions has been our rallying cry through all the years.

But what of the future? Is this work not yet finished? It is not, and, perhaps, will never be, until our Lord comes again. If our State were to come to a standstill in material things, there might be no further necessity for State Mission work after a few years; but so long as there is progress in material things, there will be necessity for the work of State Missions. New communities are being opened up, new towns built, and these call on the Board to supply them with the gospel.

The great prosperity that has come to the country districts, is causing a return to the farms, which, a few years ago, were being deserted.

The time has never been when we could use as much money to such advantage as we could to-day. Let us stand by State Missions, which is the basis of all our denominational work.

LIVINGSTON JOHNSON, *for Committee.*

On this report L. Johnson addressed the Association. Pledges were made, and the report was adopted.

On motion, W. P. Taylor made a statement as Treasurer of the Chowan Baptist Female Institute, which statement follows:

W. P. TAYLOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH CHOWAN BAPTIST FEMALE INSTITUTE.

1908.

Oct. 26.	By balance due Institute last report.....	\$202.38
Nov. 3.	By amount received from Cashie Church.....	63.00

1909.

Jan. 15.	By amount received from Republican Church.....	9.75
Mar. 3.	By amount received from Rev. W. B. Whaup.....	10.00
Apr. 28.	By amount received from Kelford Church.....	33.35
30.	By amount received from Severn Church.....	50.00
May 1.	By amount received from Republican Church.....	7.00
7.	By amount received from Bethlehem Church.....	63.00
11.	By amount received from Mt. Tabor Church.....	66.50
11.	By amount received from Warwick Church, Ch. Asso.....	50.00
11.	By amount received from Rocky Hock Church, Ch. Asso.....	6.00
28.	By amount received from Center Grove Church.....	40.00
June 11.	By amount received from M. A. Adams, not designated.....	8.00
11.	By amount received from J. A. Speight due school at Murf...	192.50
11.	By amount received from J. E. Vann, Chowan Asso.....	83.31
11.	By amount received from A. W. Early, J. C. Scarborough ch. from school	400.00
14.	Amount received from A. B. Adkins, W. E. Barker, from school	100.00
29.	By amount received from Aulander Church, M. A. Adams ch.,	65.25
29.	By amount received from Rich Square Church.....	50.00
29.	By amount received from M. A. Adams, chk. not designated, Ch. Asso.	234.03
30.	By amount received from W. P. Taylor, chk., Chowan Church,	200.00
July 12.	By amount received from Dr. R. P. Thomas, Bethlehem Ch...	25.00
12.	By amount received from M. A. Adams, Mt. Pleasant Church, Chowan Association	8.34
12.	By amount received from Conaritsa Church.....	50.00
Sept. 15.	By amount received from Lewiston Church.....	66.67
22.	By amount received from Cool Spring Church.....	13.50
Oct. 18.	By amount received from Meherrin Church.....	23.00
		\$2,120.58

DR.

Mar. 31.	To paid L. J. Lawrence, fire insurance policies.....	\$101.75
May 31.	To paid J. E. Vann, expenses to Raleigh.....	15.00
June 11.	To paid O. J. Pitman, expenses to Murfreesboro....	31.02
11.	To paid W. P. Horn & Bro., note.....	675.81
14.	To paid A. B. Adkins, Bro. Curtis' due bill.....	65.90
19.	To paid telegram R. L. Moore.....	.69
July 2.	To paid W. P. Horn & Bro., note.....	200.00
7.	To paid C. S. Vann, interest on Wood notes, \$7,000 for 12 months	420.00
Aug. 18.	To paid W. P. Taylor, bill lumber for Institute.....	29.47
Oct. 25.	To paid Shaw Bros. on notes.....	580.94
		\$2,120.58

W. P. Taylor spoke in explanation of the financial condition and needs of the Institute.

The following motion was passed: That the Association endorse the action of the Board of Trustees of Chowan Baptist Female Institute in arranging for this session of school.

The Association adjourned with prayer by T. T. Speight.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association convened at 2:30 o'clock, and was called to order by Q. C. Davis.

On motion, a special prayer was offered for brethren M. L. Green and A. C. Sherwood, who are suffering under the hand of affliction. A collection was taken for Bro. Green amounting to \$27.49.

W. B. Waff read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The blessings of God continue to rest upon our Home Mission work. In spite of the great financial stringency last year, the Board did the best year's work in its history. Every phase of its work has been abundantly blessed, and "God is opening the doors for still broader and more far-reaching efforts." The work is constantly growing in greatness and in importance. The following is a summary of the past year's work: Number of workers, 1,108; weeks of labor performed, 35,108; sermons and addresses, 126,765; religious visits, 238,268; baptisms, 25,108; received by letter and otherwise, 22,699; total addition to churches, 47,808; churches constituted, 316; houses of worship built and improved, 368; Sunday Schools organized, 959. The amount expended for this work was \$302,864.74, being an increase of \$37,529.15 over last year. When we take all the circumstances into consideration; the fact that it was a presidential election year, a year of great financial stringency, tariff legislation affecting business interests all over the land, floods and storms working sad havoc in many places,—in view of all these things the increase is a very gratifying one. The territory embraced in the work of our Home Mission Board is very large, taking in the entire South on both sides of the Mississippi River, to which New Mexico has now been added, Cuba, the Isle of Pines and Panama. The territory west of the Mississippi is now nearly one and one-half times as large as all of the territory east of it. With only one-third of the membership of Southern Baptist churches in the trans-Mississippi States, more than three-fourths of the reported baptisms and additions to the mission churches of the Home Mission Board the past year were in that country. Says the Board, in its report to the last Southern Baptist Convention, "If we shall grasp the opportunity by a large and ready response, and enter the thousands of open doors there, we may expect to reap an hundred fold. We know of no place where such large spiritual values may be so readily created by quick and capable mission endeavor as in the Southwest." But while a larger amount of work is being done west than there is east of the Mississippi, still a greater work is being done east of it than ever before; and yet a still larger amount needs to be done. The mines, the mills, the mountains and the cities call for large and strenuous efforts on the part of our Board.

While the work in the country fields is important, too important to be over-estimated, the work in the cities is *imperative*. The cities in the South and Southwest are growing rapidly and new ones are springing up like magic. And they are centers of influence and power. The large ones are also hotbeds of corruption and crime. The foreigners who are coming to this country at the rate of over a million a year, are more and more turning to the South; and they flock to the cities. It is therefore all important that we Christianize our cities *now* that we may be able to meet the foreigners with the gospel as they come among us; for if we do not they will one day overthrow our institutions and destroy our civilization.

Our mountain school work continues to prosper. We now have 24 schools there, with 121 teachers, 4,316 students, of whom 441 were baptized last year. Seventy-eight of the students are studying for the ministry. The value of improvements last year was \$64,122, of which the Board paid \$16,108.

The evangelistic work of our Board has had the seal of the Lord's approval upon it; and many churches and a number of towns and cities have been signally blessed in meetings held by the Board's evangelists. For instance, Prestonsburg,

Ky., had a most interesting meeting. When the meeting began it was reported that there were nine Baptists in the town, and only two of those could be found. When the meeting closed there were 183 members and about 154 had been baptized. That the work was permanent is seen in the fact that the Sunday School enrollment has reached 225 and the prayer-meetings have averaged 150. The first collection for Home and Foreign Missions amounted to \$175.00. The wisdom of the plan of evangelism adopted by our Board has been recognized not only in the South, but in the North and West, and by many also outside of our Nation.

Our Board is also doing a small work among the negroes of the South, co-operating with the Home Mission Board of the National (or Negro) Baptist Convention. "The wisdom of the plan is attested by the constantly increasing success it has achieved." Dr. R. H. Boyd, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board of the National Convention, says, in a letter to our Board: "The cooperative plan as it is now being operated between the two Boards is lifting the work of the Negro Baptists in the South far ahead of the work for Negro Baptists in many other parts of the country, and far above the work of any other denomination among Negroes." There are 25 Negro missionaries supported jointly by our Board and the Negro Board, and last year they performed 1,177 weeks of labor, delivered 4,881 sermons and religious addresses, made 8,404 religious visits, and baptized 2,637 persons.

Our work in Cuba was never in so hopeful a condition as at present. In its report to the Convention, the Board says: "The faithful sowing of past years has resulted in a most encouraging harvest during the past year. Baptisms were numerous, the standard of Christian living seems decidedly higher, a desire for self-help is manifest, missionary contributions were larger than for any previous year, and evangelistic fervor characterizes most of the workers. During the year four new churches have been organized and eight new stations opened." The number of baptisms last year was 223, an increase of 44 per cent over the year before. The contributions from all the churches amounted to \$2,336.38, an increase over the preceding year of 48 per cent. We have now on the island 25 workers, 18 organized churches, and 30 preaching stations, 1,057 church members, and 943 children in the Sunday Schools. "We have a total property value of \$175,000, four schools and a successful, self-supporting semi-monthly Baptist paper. The great needs at present are two more American missionaries, and lots and church buildings in three cities and a dozen smaller towns in which to house our congregations."

A small but far-reaching work is being done in Panama. We have six workers there, and they feel much encouraged in their work.

In view of the greatness and importance of this work and its appalling needs, we most earnestly recommend that our churches enlarge their contributions to Home Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. WAFF.

The report was spoken to by W. B. Waff, C. W. Scarborough, and was adopted. T. T. Speight read the

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

The object of this Board is to help the worn-out Baptist preachers who are unable to provide for themselves. Many of the dear old saints give their lives and means to the work of the Master and at old age are unable to make a support. We bow at their feet and say, God bless them, and pledge ourselves to give them liberal help.

T. T. SPEIGHT, *for Committee.*

Remarks were made on this report by J. C. Scarborough. Pledges were made and the report was adopted.

T. B. Hill, representing the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, was recognized and spoke briefly.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We, your Finance Committee, beg leave to submit the following as their report:

State Missions	\$30.50
Education	8.00
Minute Fund	98.89
	\$137.39
	L. P. FREEMAN.
	C. R. HARRELL.

Received of Finance Committee one hundred and thirty-seven 39-100 dollars for the various objects as shown in report of Finance Committee.

October 27, 1909.

JAS. P. FREEMAN, *Treasurer*.

Committee to cooperate with E. L. Middleton in the Sunday School work of this Association are N. W. Britton, P. M. Fleetwood and W. L. Davis.

The Association adjourned with prayer by C. W. Scarborough.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

M. P. Davis conducted the devotional exercises, after which the Association took up the regular work.

The Statistical Report was read and approved.

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT.

Number churches in Association	53
Churches reporting no pastor	None
Churches reporting no baptisms	8
Number received by baptism	523
Total membership	11,691
Number ordained ministers	18
Number churches having preaching every Sabbath.....	1
Number churches having preaching two Sundays in each month.....	12

CONTRIBUTIONS.

State Missions	\$2,443.15
Home Missions	1,626.11
Foreign Missions	2,401.33
Orphanage	3,602.13
Colleges and schools	1,202.33
Ministerial Education	534.33
Ministers' Relief Fund	249.15
Sunday School Missions	105.38
Other objects	1,940.06
Total.....	\$14,103.97

Three churches did not contribute to the Orphanage; one, to Home Missions; five to Ministerial Education; eight, to the Ministers' Relief Fund.

On motion, J. F. Cale was appointed a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention; R. L. Gay, alternate.

On motion, M. P. Davis was reelected a member of the State Mission Board.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That we request the churches to make an annual contribution to the endowment of Chowan Baptist Female Institute, and that the Clerk of the Association prepare a special column in the minutes for such contributions.

On motion, that portion of W. P. Taylor's report relating to publishing in the minutes the names of the churches that have not paid their part of the amount apportioned to them, is omitted from the record.

On motion, W. P. Shaw, Q. C. Davis and J. D. Bruner were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

On motion, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to this church and community for the magnificent hospitality received during this session.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

JAS. P. FREEMAN, *Treasurer, in account with West Chowan Association:*

To balance due Association	\$2.29
To amount for Foreign Missions	8.35
To amount for Home Missions	5.75
To amount for State Missions	23.00
To amount for Ministers' Relief.....	3.60
To amount for Education	5.00
To amount for Minute Fund	86.17
To amount for Minute Fund (through N. W. Britton, Clerk).....	7.54
To amount for cash collection for Orphanage.....	18.12

\$159.82

By amount paid W. Durham, Foreign Missions.....	\$8.35
By amount paid W. Durham, Home Missions.....	5.75
By amount paid W. Durham, State Missions.....	23.00
By amount paid W. Durham, Ministers' relief.....	3.60
By amount paid W. Durham, Education	5.00
By amount paid W. Durham, Minutes (E. & B.)	66.00
To amount paid Archibald Johnson for Orphanage.....	18.12
By amount paid N. W. Britton, Clerk.....	30.00

\$159.82

The report was adopted.

On motion, the Clerk was ordered to notify all the churches to conform to the Constitution in regard to bringing funds to the Association—that no funds be delivered to the Finance Committee except the Minute Fund.

On motion, the Historian's Report was made and adopted.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Your Historian begs leave to report the following:

Few data from which to compile his report have been furnished, hence he craves indulgence rather than censure for its brief and fragmentary nature.

PROGRESS.

Despite poor crops and financial depression, the past year has been one of substantial progress. In every department of our work we have registered a forward advance. The evangelical and missionary spirit in our churches is growing. The baptisms were more than one hundred over last year; our contributions were in excess of any previous year, while the pledges for the coming year are the largest ever made. Within the year Coleraine has called Pastor M. P. Davis for two Sundays, and Cashie and Aulander have called Pastors Q. C. Davis and R. L. Gay for all their time.

MEETINGS.

Nearly all of our churches have held revivals within the year. The reports from these meetings have been encouraging; the churches have been revived, and have gained in membership by baptism 512.

CHURCH BUILDINGS.

The Coleraine saints are happy in their new house of worship. They show us how to do things. They have built at a cost of \$5,000, and called their pastor for two Sundays. We offer congratulations.

Holly Springs, one of our new churches, is in the process of building a house of worship that will meet the demands of her work. We commend pastor and people.

We are proud of Ahoskie for having outgrown her house. She is now pushing to completion a \$4,000 house, which will meet the demands of her growing work. With four class-rooms, an excellent auditorium, and pastor's study, it promises to be one of the best-appointed houses of worship in our Association.

Menola, the youngest of our churches, has just completed an excellent house of worship. Pastor and people are to be congratulated.

NEW PASTORS.

Since our last meeting, Pastors J. H. Poteat and Q. C. Davis have accepted work in our Association. Pastor Poteat is located at Como, and is shepherding Buckhorn and Roberts Chapel. Pastor Davis is located in Windsor, and is shepherding Cashie. These brethren are happy in the work and are proving valuable importations.

PASTORAL CHANGES.

Since we last met, Pastor C. E. Edwards has cast his lot with the Sawyer's Creek brethren, in the Chowan.

Pastor R. D. Stephenson has left our ranks and joined the forces of the Portsmouth Association.

Elder D. Cale has resigned the work at Sandy Run, and goes to Lasker.

Elder R. L. Gay has resigned the work at Lewiston; Aulander has called him for all his time.

Pastor S. B. Barnes has resigned the work at Bethany, and J. F. Cale goes from Bethlehem to Lewiston and Sandy Run.

Within the year Elder C. W. Scarborough has taken up the work at Hebron, Menola, Pleasant Grove and Woodland; Pastor W. B. Waff at Holly Grove and Margarettsville, and Elder A. T. Howell at Mars Hill.

After undergoing a successful operation for appendicitis, Pastor M. A. Adams is quite himself again, and is happy in the work.

Elder A. C. Sherwood, who has been sick for some time, is now in Baltimore for treatment. Bro. Sherwood has our prayers, and his family has the sympathy of the brotherhood in this hour of suspense.

Pastor C. W. Scarborough is active in the work again, after a serious and painful accident.

ENTERING THE MINISTRY.

Within the year several of our young men have entered the ministry. The following are known to your Historian: M. T. Tanner, C. W. Jones, J. H. Dempsey and W. F. Cale.

CHOWAN COLLEGE.

Chowan Baptist Female Institute hereafter will be known as Chowan College. The proposed new name will be authorized by the next Legislature.

Within the year a change has been made in the management of Chowan College. The school has been turned over to the Chowan and the West Chowan Associations. Both president and faculty are now paid a salary. The head management has also been changed. Dr. James D. Bruner, of Chapel Hill, has accepted the presidency.

PASTORS' CONFERENCE.

This conference, as the name implies, is composed of the pastors of this Association. It is filling a long-felt need in the work, and the sessions are proving more interesting and profitable each month. The Conference meets at Ahoskie Tuesday after the first Sunday in each month, from October to July. A regular program is presented at each meeting, as follows: Devotional exercises, papers, Bible readings, exegeses, and sermon outlines. These meetings are public, and visitors are invited.

OUR DEAD.

Since our last meeting several of our workers have crossed over the river. The following have been reported to your Historian:

Sister John Carstarphen, who fell suddenly on sleep, was, at the time of her death, a valuable member of Pine Forest Church.

Deacon Joseph Collier, of Pine Forest, has also fallen on sleep. He was a good man and a faithful worker.

Bro. J. D. Gatling, of Murfreesboro, has been called to his reward. In the death of Bro. Gatling, Murfreesboro loses a faithful worker.

In the death of Sister Lorena A. Chitty, Meherrin loses a good woman and a faithful member.

Sister Nannie Cobb, of Cashie, sleeps after a long life of faithful service.

In the deaths of Bro. ——— Glover and Sister Mamie Leake, Roanoke Church loses two valuable members.

Deacon James H. Griffin, of Woodland, has stepped from time into eternity. Bro. Griffin was a man of large influence and lived an active Christian life. For many years he was a strong pillar in Hebron Church. Late in life he moved his membership to Woodland, where his presence and influence were a benediction.

A CHANGE IN NAME.

The church heretofore known as Lawrence's Cross Roads, hereafter will be styled simply *Lawrences*. The abbreviation sounds better.

SESSION.

The Association met in its twenty-seventh annual session with Bethlehem Church, October 26-28. R. D. Stephenson preached the Introductory Sermon. All the old officers were reelected, except the Moderator and Vice-Moderator. The names of these officers appear elsewhere. The reports were made as usual, and the discussions were of a high order. The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the Association: L. and A. Johnson, T. B. Hill, S. F. Conrad, J. S. Farmer, C. B. Scott, T. C. Britton and T. L. Brown. Bro. Brown, we learn, has accepted work with the Winton Church. The entertainment was excellent; the crowds up to average; the session exceedingly good. The next session goes to Rich Square, Q. C. Davis to preach the Introductory Sermon.

HISTORY OF BETHLEHEM CHURCH.

The earliest extant record of Bethlehem Church dates from 1842. We learn, however, from those in position to know, that the church was organized in 1835. To account for this seeming discrepancy in time, there are just two alternatives: either no record was kept during the first seven years, or the record has been lost; the latter seems more plausible.

Pastors.—Since the organization of Bethlehem Church there have been eighteen pastorships. The names of pastors and the dates of their pastorates are as follows:

1. Thomas Hoggard; 11 years; 1835-1846.
2. John Nowell; 3 years; 1847-1850.
3. James Delk; supply for 6 months; 1850.
4. W. P. Britton; 1 year, 9 months; 1851-1852.
5. James Delk; supply 1 year, 2 months; 1852-1854.

6. Aaron J. Spivey; 10 months; 1854.
7. William W. Kane; 3 years, 9 months; 1855-1859.
8. Andrew M. Craig; 3 years, 9 months; 1859-1863.
9. J. M. C. Luke; 4 years, 3 months; 1864-1867.
10. John Mitchell; 3 years, 9 months; 1868-1871.
11. John N. Hoggard; 9 years; 1872-1881.
12. John Mitchell; 1 year; 1882.
13. T. G. Wood; 7 months; 1883.
14. D. A. Woodson; 3 years, 7 months; 1883-1887.
15. L. R. Pruitt; 2 years, 9 months; 1887-1889.
16. C. N. Donalson; 1 year, 10 months; 1890-1891.
17. L. M. Curtis; 16 years, 3 months; 1892-1908.
18. John F. Cale; 1908—

Clerks.—There have been five clerkships. The names of clerks and dates of service are as follows:

1. Abraham Thomas; 1842-1860.
2. William J. Perry; from August to November, 1860.
3. John W. Harrell; 1860-1871.
4. N. L. Shaw; 1871-1873.
5. A. B. Adkins; 1873—

BUILDINGS.

Within a time limit of seventy-four years Bethlehem has had three houses of worship on the present site. The first house was built in 1835, and stood for twenty-three years. In 1858-1859 a second house was built. In this the church worshiped regularly for forty-four years. In 1903-1904 the present house of worship was built. It has good class-rooms and an excellent auditorium.

ASSOCIATIONS.

Bethlehem is known as the "Home of the Association," although she has entertained this body only three times. Here the legions assembled in 1851, 1869, and 1909.

MISSIONS.

According to the records, Bethlehem made her first contribution to missions in 1871. The contributions to missions—State, Home, and Foreign—that year amounted to \$30.97. Since then she has been regular in her contributions to missions. In 1909 she contributed to the objects of the Convention \$159.00, or an average per capita of 88 1-3 cents. The gain has been more than 300 per cent in thirty-eight years, or an average advance of more than 8 per cent per year.

JOHN F. CALE, *Historian*.

On motion, J. A. Speight was requested to prepare all the data possible relative to our early history and submit the same to the next session of this body.

R. P. Thomas requested that the Association nominate some one to be elected by the Board of Trustees of Chowan Baptist Female Institute to fill a vacancy on the Board. N. W. Britton, J. T. Williams and J. F. Cale were nominated.

T. Gillam read the

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

If the Baptists, as a denomination, would keep abreast of the times; would catch the spirit of progress that is now well-nigh universal; would fulfill their God-appointed mission in the earth, they must needs insist upon an educated and thoroughly equipped ministry. For in no other way will they be able to measure up fully to the pressing demands of the situation. Recognizing the importance of this and out of the insistence on the part of the people upon a larger and broader preparation of those who are to lead, the Board of Education came into existence. And we rejoice in the unmistakable evidences of the power of this

agency for enlarged usefulness to our denomination. To the end that the opportunity for education may be available to our young men called of God to the ministry, funds must be provided, and we recommend that our preachers and leaders emphasize the importance of this fundamental branch of our work, and plead with our people to consecrate more of their means to this worthy end.

T. GILLAM, *for Committee.*

This report was discussed by T. B. Hill and was adopted.

The Association adjourned, after singing "Blest be the tie that binds," with prayer by M. P. Davis.

N. W. BRITTON, *Clerk.*

T. GILLAM,
Moderator.

PLEDGES FOR 1910.

Churches.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.
Ahoskie.....	\$100.00	30.00	65.00	25.00	5.00
Aulauder.....	80.00	75.00	75.00	25.00	20.00
Bethlehem.....	60.00	22.00	55.00	22.00	5.00
Bethany.....	25.00	20.00	25.00	5.00	5.00
Brantley's Grove.....	25.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	5.00
Buckhorn.....	90.00	50.00	100.00	25.00	10.00
Capehart's.....	55.00	25.00	40.00	6.00	5.00
Cashie.....	100.00	25.00	100.00	20.00	5.00
Center Grove.....	41.00	20.00	31.00	8.00	2.00
Chowan.....	150.00	100.00	110.00	35.00	10.00
Christian Harbor.....	30.00	25.00	30.00	5.00	5.00
Coleraine.....	50.00	35.00	65.00	15.00	10.00
Connaritsa.....	32.50	25.00	30.00	10.00	5.00
Creeksville.....	20.00	10.00	20.00	3.00	2.00
Conway.....	35.00	25.00	35.00	10.00	5.00
Elam.....	22.50	15.00	25.00	7.00	3.00
Galatia.....	25.00	16.00	25.00	5.00	2.00
Green's Cross Roads.....	25.00	15.00	22.00	3.00	2.00
Harrellsville.....	40.00	21.00	40.00	6.00	---
Hebron.....	25.00	18.00	25.00	6.00	5.00
Hillside.....	10.00	5.00	8.00	2.00	1.00
Holly Grove.....	27.00	20.00	25.00	10.00	5.00
Holly Springs.....	12.00	8.00	8.00	3.00	2.00
Jackson.....	25.00	18.00	20.00	5.00	5.00
Kelford.....	35.00	35.00	35.00	7.00	5.00
Lasker.....	15.00	10.00	12.00	3.00	2.50
Lawrence's.....	35.00	15.00	35.00	6.00	5.00
Lewiston.....	50.00	25.00	40.00	10.00	10.00
Margarettsville.....	16.00	16.00	20.00	6.00	4.00
Mars Hill.....	50.00	40.00	100.00	10.00	5.00
Meherrin.....	35.50	30.00	35.50	20.50	5.00
Mount Carmel.....	28.00	15.00	30.00	6.00	3.00
Mount Tabor.....	45.00	40.00	50.00	10.00	5.00
Murfreesboro.....	25.00	25.00	25.00	15.00	5.00
Menola.....	20.00	15.00	15.00	6.00	3.00
Oak Grove.....	16.00	19.00	20.00	7.00	2.50
Pine Forest.....	15.00	8.00	10.00	3.00	2.00
Potecasi.....	60.00	35.00	30.00	12.00	5.00
Pleasant Grove.....	35.00	20.00	35.00	10.00	5.00
Republican.....	25.00	20.00	30.00	7.00	3.00
Rich Square.....	35.00	20.00	25.00	10.00	5.00
Roanoke.....	10.00	7.00	10.00	2.00	2.00
Roquist.....	8.00	8.00	7.00	3.00	2.00
Robert's Chapel.....	60.00	35.00	70.00	17.00	5.00
Ross's.....	50.00	25.00	35.00	6.00	5.00
Sandy Run.....	35.00	30.00	35.00	10.00	5.00
Seaboard.....	22.00	12.00	16.00	5.00	4.00
Siloam.....	5.00	2.25	2.50	---	---
Severn.....	40.00	20.00	75.00	15.00	5.00
St. John's.....	20.00	10.00	25.00	4.00	5.00
Union.....	70.00	50.00	60.00	15.00	5.00
Winton.....	25.00	20.00	20.00	12.00	2.00
Woodland.....	35.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	3.00

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Preacher of the Introductory Sermon.	Text.
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.	R. P. Thomas	W. C. Parker	D. A. Woodson	Rom. 1:16.
1884	Robert's Chapel, Northampton Co.	do	do	J. D. Hufham	Acts 20:24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Psalms 16:8.
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Heb. 13:1.
1887	Winton, Hertford Co.	do	do	B. B. Williams	Acts 20:35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.	do	do	M. L. Green	Gal. 6:10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do	do	T. T. Speight	Gal. 6:10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Rom. 8:1.
1891	Union, Hertford Co.	do	do	T. G. Wood	Habakkuk 2:15.
1892	Mount Carmel, Northampton Co.	do	do	Braxton Crail	Num. 13:30.
1893	Coleraine, Bertie Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	C. I. 2:10.
1894	Mount Tabor, Hertford Co.	do	do	A. Cree	Col. 1:28.
1895	Sandy Run, Bertie Co.	do	do	J. B. Boone	Rom. 15:1, 2, 3.
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	R. D. Cross	Eph. 1:17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars' Hill, Bertie Co.	J. C. Scarboro	W. E. Raynor	McKaughn	Acts 5:29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.	do	do	W. P. Jordan	Rom. 5:8, 32.
1899	Ahoskie, Hertford Co.	do	do	J. A. Speight	Joel 3:14, 15, 16.
1900	Poteasi, Northampton Co.	C. W. Mitchell	N. W. Britton	R. D. Cross	Gal. 6:14.
1901	Capehart, Bertie Co.	do	do	G. P. Harrill	Heb. 4:6.
1902	Connartsa, Bertie Co.	do	do	D. Cale	2 Cor. 9:6, 7.
1903	Buckhorn, Hertford Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Rev. 3:7 to 11.
1904	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	A. T. Howell	Ex. 10:16, 28:19, 20.
1905	Hebron, Northampton Co.	do	do	W. L. Britt	Matt. 3:19, 26:26-28.
1906	Cashie, Bertie Co.	do	do	M. A. Adams	Heb. 13:1.
1907	Christian Harbor, Hertford Co.	W. P. Shaw	do	R. L. Gay	Psalms 60:4.
1908	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do	do	A. T. Howell	Song of Solomon 5:16.
1909	Bethlehem, Hertford Co.	T. Gilliam	do	R. D. Stephenson	Matt. 16:27.

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches	Location and Date of Constitution.	Received.				Lost.				Membership.		
		Baptisms.	Letter.	Restoration.	Total.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Ahoskie	Hertford Co. 1804	10	25	1	36	15	13	4	32	150	249	399
Aulander	Bertie Co. 1886	6	17	3	26	8	6	4	18	122	159	281
Bethlehem	Hertford Co. 1885	8	1	2	11	7		3	10	108	72	180
Bethany	Bertie Co. 1881		7		7	2	2	3	7	107	134	241
Brantley's Grove	Hertford Co. 1877	6	6	1	13	5	2	1	8	83	100	183
Buckhorn	Hertford Co. 1885	24	14	3	41	3	5	5	13	136	126	262
Capehart's	Bertie Co. 1824	35	4	3	42	3	3	2	8	156	217	373
Cashie	Bertie Co. 1878	4	7	1	12	11	1	8	20	110	165	275
Center Grove	Bertie Co. 1897		4		4	4	2		6	86	108	194
Chowan	Hertford Co. 1895					7			7	50	70	120
Christian Harbor	Hertford Co. 1881	15	6	1	22	4	2	2	8	83	89	172
Coleraine	Bertie Co. 1780	11	12	2	25	9	3	2	14	179	200	379
Connaritsa	Bertie Co. 1789	12	12	3	27	12	5	1	18	147	187	334
Creeksville	Northampton 1892	6	2		8	5	2		7	69	71	140
Conway	Northampton 1905	5	15		20	10	1		11	77	81	158
Elam	Northampton 1844		2		2	7			7	72	136	208
Galatia	Northampton 1859	14	4		18	8	2	2	12	145	176	321
Green's Cross Roads	Bertie Co. 1874	15	2	1	18	4	1	1	6	121	130	251
Harrellsville	Hertford Co. 1875	6	11	2	19	10	2	1	13	78	80	158
Hebron	Northampton 1856	10	7	4	21	77	1	2	80	71	107	178
Hillside	Bertie Co. 1885	5	3		8	2		1	3	46	42	88
Holly Grove	Bertie Co. 1804	5	2	2	7	6	5	1	12	67	90	157
Holly Springs	Hertford Co. 1907	5	2		7	8	1	1	10	19	35	54
Jackson	Northampton 1882	3	2		5	2	2		2	37	49	86
Kelford	Bertie Co. 1898	3	7	3	13	2	7	1	10	69	91	160
Lasker	Northampton 1906	16	5		21	5			5	61	65	126
Lawrence's	Bertie Co. 1774	15	2	1	18	1	2		3	132	138	270
Lewiston	Bertie Co. 1883		4	1	5	10	2		15	102	116	218
Margarettsville	Northampton 1889		8		8	1	1		2	28	31	59
Mars Hill	Bertie Co. 1854	29	8	2	39	16	12	3	31	242	245	487
Meherrin	Hertford Co. 1729	10	4	1	15	18		2	20	179	198	377
Mt. Carmel	Northampton 1826	10	5		15	2	2	1	3	92	126	218
Mt. Tabor	Hertford Co. 1839	15	3	4	22	2		4	8	133	167	300
Murfreesboro	Hertford Co. 1843	6	3	1	10	11		1	12	37	70	107
Menola	Hertford Co. 1908		61		61	1			1	36	24	60
Oak Grove	Hertford Co. 1894	4			4	2	4	2	8	66	82	148
Pine Forest	Northampton 1888	2			2	3		2	5	23	33	56
Potocasi	Northampton 1808	7	7	5	19	24	5		29	150	175	325
Pleasant Grove	Hertford Co. 1837	24	10	5	39	15	2	3	20	109	175	284
Republican	Bertie Co. 1803	22	5	4	31	12	4	3	19	187	249	436
Rich Square	Northampton 1854	6	5	2	13	4	1	3	8	81	109	190
Roanoke	Northampton 1885	9	7		16	3		4	7	38	57	95
Roquist	Bertie Co. 1878	2			2	1		2	3	31	36	67
Robert's Chapel	Northampton 1848	16	2	4	22	16	1	2	19	108	177	285
Ross's	Bertie Co. 1804	63	4	5	72	6		1	7	327	483	810
Sandy Run	Bertie Co. 1750	24	3	3	30	2	1		3	143	179	322
Seaboard	Northampton 1889	5	2	1	8	9		2	11	70	80	150
Siloam	Bertie Co. 1885	1	4		6	4	2	1	7	52	55	107
Seyern	Northampton 1896	3	10		13	5			5	83	68	151
Saint John's	Hertford Co. 1833	11	2		13	6		4	10	72	91	163
Union	Hertford Co. 1885		4		4	13	1	2	16	92	94	186
Winton	Hertford Co. 1873	5	6	3	14	7		1	10	72	93	165
Woodland	Northampton 1902	9	14		23	12	1	2	15	82	81	163
Total		523	350	75	948	440	111	93	644	5225	6466	11691

CHURCH STATISTICS—Continued.

Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks and Post-offices.	Value of Church Property.	Sabbath of Preaching.
Ahoskie	M. A. Adams	Robt. Holloman, Ahoskie		
Aulander	R. L. Gay	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander	\$4,000	1st and 4th
Bethlehem	J. F. Cale	A. B. Adkins, Cofield	2,750	1st and 3d
Bethany	S. B. Barnes	W. W. Perry, Jr., Coleraine	1,200	1st
Brantley's Grove	S. B. Barnes	B. F. Barham, Ahoskie	1,600	3d
Buckhorn	J. H. Poteat	S. P. Winborne, Como		2d and 4th
Capehart's	T. T. Speight	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill	1,000	1st
Cashie	Q. C. Davis	W. R. Cobb, Windsor	2,500	1st, 2d, 3d
Center Grove	S. B. Barnes	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie	1,000	2d 4th
Chowan	A. C. Sherwood	T. D. Boone, Winton	2,500	1st and 3d
Christian Harbor	M. P. Davis	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville	1,500	2d
Coleraine	M. P. Davis	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine	6,000	1st and 3d
Connarita	T. T. Speight	A. J. Dunning, Aulander	2,000	3d
Creeksville	D. Cale	W. H. Davis, Conway	2,000	2d
Conway	W. B. Waff	J. F. Martin, Conway	3,000	2d
Elam	A. Cree	J. E. Daniel, Seaboard	1,000	2d
Galatia	D. Cale	W. C. Smith, Seaboard	1,500	3d
Green's Cross Roads	M. A. Adams	G. W. Castellow, Windsor	750	3d
Harrellsville	M. P. Davis	D. Taylor, Harrellsville		
Hebron	C. W. Scarborough	J. K. Revel, Conway	1,000	4th
Hillside	M. A. Adams	D. E. White, Cahaba	600	1st
Holly Grove	W. B. Waff	M. R. Barnes, Tremo	1,200	1st
Holly Springs	S. B. Barnes	J. R. Wilder, Tunis	800	3d
Jackson	A. Cree	Edwin Wright, Jackson	3,000	1st
Kelford	T. T. Speight	C. L. L. Cobb, Kelford	2,500	2d
Lasker	D. Cale	R. C. Lassiter, Lasker	3,000	2d
Lawrence's	S. B. Barnes	J. M. Britt, Merry Hill	1,500	4th
Lewiston	R. L. Gay	J. J. Peele, Lewiston	2,500	2d
Margarettsville	W. B. Waff	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville	1,200	3d
Mars Hill	A. T. Howell	W. B. Miller, Coleraine	3,000	1st
Meherrin	J. A. Speight	J. J. Parker, Murfreesboro	1,200	1st and 3d
Mt. Carmel	J. F. Cale	J. G. Joyner, Seaboard	1,000	3d
Mt. Tabor	A. T. Howell	D. L. Parker, Mapleton		1st and 3d
Murfreesboro	A. C. Sherwood	J. C. Scarborough, Murfreesboro	2,000	2d and 4th
Menola	C. W. Scarborough	E. C. Parker, Woodland	3,625	3d
Oak Grove	M. A. Adams	S. E. Marsh, Aulander		
Pine Forest	A. Cree	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg	1,000	3d
Potocasi	A. T. Howell	E. B. Lassiter, Potocasi	2,000	2d
Pleasant Grove	C. W. Scarborough	A. P. Joyner, Aulander	2,000	2d
Republican	T. T. Speight	A. V. Cobb, Windsor		4th
Rich Square	J. F. Cale	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square	1,500	2d
Roanoke	J. F. Cale	W. J. Hedgepeth, Rehoboth	1,500	2d
Roquist	J. R. Matthews	J. M. Yates, Windsor	500	2d
Robert's Chapel	J. H. Poteat	W. J. Beale, Pendleton	2,000	1st and 3d
Ross's	J. A. Speight	J. T. Hoggard, Windsor	3,000	4th
Sandy Run	D. Cale	C. C. Tyler, Roxobel	2,000	4th
Seaboard	A. Cree	B. S. Stancell, Seaboard	1,000	3d
Siloam	A. Cory	L. H. Speller, Windsor	1,100	1st
Severn	W. B. Waff	W. H. Howell, Severn	2,000	4th
St. John's	D. Cale	S. E. Vaughan, Ahoskie	1,200	1st
Union	J. D. Bruner	John Freeman, Ahoskie	1,500	2d
Winton	C. D. Creasman and C. H. Robertson	James Clark, Winton	3,000	2d and 4th
Woodland	C. W. Scarborough	Leuter McDaniel, Woodland		
Total			86,735	

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	Months Kept Open.	Average Attendance.	Superintendents and Post-offices.
Ahoskie	15	235	250		200	12	80	W. H. Miller, Ahoskie.
Aulander	11	181	192		940	12	130	E. C. Harrell, Aulander.
Bethlehem	11	79	90	217	125	9	54	W. R. Thomas, Cofield.
Bethany	8	124	132	50	174	9	67	W. C. Hughes, Coleraine.
Brantley's Grove	10	125	135	100	374	9	63	G. T. Hoggard, Ahoskie.
Buckhorn	9	142	151	148	155	12	79	R. A. Majette, Como.
Capehart's	14	223	257	50	170	12	138	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill.
Cashie	12	125	137		150	12	75	T. Gillam, Windsor.
Center Grove	8	80	88		110	9	55	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.
Chowan	8	75	83		100	12	70	J. E. Vann, Winton.
Christian Harbor	11	103	114	50	132	12	81	N. S. Hoggard, Harrellsville.
Coleraine	19	208	227		235	12	113	D. R. Britton, Coleraine.
Connarita's	9	53	62	40	60	9	35	J. S. Jenkins, Aulander.
Creeksville	14	160	174		40	12	80	Edwin Lassiter, Conway.
Conway	10				165	12	90	A. Lassiter, Conway.
Elam	8	74	82		125	12	67	C. L. Stephenson, Gumberry.
Galatia	13	80	93		60	12	60	J. R. Taylor, Margarettsville.
Green's Cross Roads	8	106	114		75	12	60	D. W. Castellow, Windsor.
Harrellsville	10	53	63		110	12	30	B. F. Williams, Harrellsville.
Hebron	8	65	73	51	79	12		J. P. Griffin, Woodland.
Hillside	6	40	46		50	8		
Holly Grove	9	75	84	50	94	9	48	J. J. Taylor, Cremo.
Holly Springs	10	40	50		122	9	30	H. A. Piland, Tunis.
Jackson	10	40	50	40	100	12	35	P. J. Long, Jackson.
Kelford	16	149	165	58	184	12	111	J. E. Tyler, Kelford.
Lasker	9	133	142		120	12	80	W. R. Bridges, Lasker.
Lawrence's	10	55	65	30	68	5	25	J. R. Phelps, Merry Hill.
Lewiston	9	140	149	90	240	12	90	J. T. Dunning, Lewiston.
Margarettsville	6	30	36	38	50	12	20	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville.
Mars Hill	22	277	299	110	174	9	174	J. E. Jordan, Powellsville.
Meherrin	13	70	83	30	150	12	50	J. K. Parker, Murfreesboro.
Mt. Carmel	16	131	147	121	164	12	98	T. J. Stephenson, Seaboard.
Mt. Tabor	14	100	114		192	12	69	J. W. Boone, Winton.
Murfreesboro	17	100	117	100	240	12	75	J. D. Babb, Murfreesboro.
Menola	8	53	61		81	12	40	H. W. Griffith, Woodland.
Oak Grove	9	65	74		98	12	35	W. H. Newsome, Aulander.
Pine Forest								
Potecasi	10	122	132	25	130	12	73	C. G. Powell, Potecasi.
Pleasant Grove	8	56	64	50	125	9	46	J. S. Hughes, Annetta.
Republican	12	142	154	50	148	12	100	A. V. Cobb, Windsor.
Rich Square	9	80	89		130	12	48	J. P. Holloman, Rich Square.
Roanoke	8	70	78		32	12	45	J. V. Holloman, Rich Square.
Roquist								
Robert's Chapel	15	85	100	102	175	12	75	H. P. Stephenson, Pendleton.
Ross's								
Sandy Run	11	175	186		176	12	118	C. C. Tyler, Roxobel.
Seaboard	7	60	67	137	80	12	30	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard.
Siloam	9	29	38	12	20	10	15	R. L. Speller, Windsor.
Severn	18	134	152	131	200	12	78	J. A. Woodard, Severn.
St. John's	7	70	77		1450	9	50	R. L. Edwards, Ahoskie.
Union	18	90	108	230	145	12	66	John Freeman, Ahoskie.
Winton	10	78	88		136	12	60	W. H. Lassiter, Winton.
Woodland	9	92	102	33	150	12	70	C. H. Griffin, Woodland.
Total	551	5072						

MISSIONARY AND SUNBEAM STATISTICS.

Churches.	Presidents of Missionary Societies and Post-offices.	Members.	Presidents of Sunbeams and Post-offices.	Members.
Ahoskie	Mrs. E. Hayes, Ahoskie	61	Mrs. J. C. Jenkins, Ahoskie	50
Aulander	Mrs. Claud Grant, Aulander	30	Mrs. Claud Grant, Aulander	---
Bethlehem	Mrs. Mary G. Thomas, Cofield	---	Annie Sue Britton, Cofield	---
Bethany	Pearl Pearce, Coleraine	75	---	---
Brantley's Grove	Mrs. Julia A. Green, Ahoskie	102	---	---
Buckhorn	Mrs. A. D. Howell, Como	30	Miss Josephine Vann, Como	40
Capehart's	Mrs. G. A. Jordan	61	---	---
Cashie	Mrs. E. L. Gatling, Windsor	38	Mrs. E. L. Gatling, Windsor	50
Center Grove	---	---	---	---
Chowan	Mrs. J. E. Vann, Winton	41	W. H. Cowan, Cofield	21
Christian Harbor	Miss Willie Winborne, Harrellsville	25	---	---
Coleraine	Mrs. D. R. Britton, Coleraine	18	Mrs. M. P. Davis, Coleraine	19
Connaritsa	---	---	---	---
Creeksville	Bessie Smith, Conway	80	---	---
Conway	Mrs. M. I. Sykes, Conway	14	Ruby Rice, Conway	25
Elam	Lizzie Taylor, Gumberry	25	---	---
Galatia	Mrs. D. W. Taylor, Seaboard	71	---	---
Green's Cross Roads	Miss M. E. Asbell, Windsor	47	---	---
Harrellsville	Mrs. A. C. Williams, Harrellsville	26	Mattie Jernigan, Harrellsville	27
Hebron	Miss Mamie Britt, Woodland	21	Eston Griffin, Woodland	26
Hillside	---	---	---	---
Holly Grove	Ella R. Holloman, Cremo	40	---	---
Holly Springs	Mrs. Willie E. Peele, Tunis	50	---	---
Jackson	Mrs. S. J. Calvert, Jackson	8	Mrs. L. J. Bradley, Jackson	10
Kelford	Mrs. M. W. Harrell, Kelford	21	Lonnie Hall, Kelford	60
Lasker	Mrs. Dorcas Morehead, Lasker	29	Miss Nita Lassiter, Lasker	33
Lawrence's	Lizzie Langdale, Merry Hill	52	---	---
Lewiston	Mrs. T. H. Bridges, Lewiston	---	Miss Bettie Tayloe, Lewiston	---
Margarettsville	Mrs. Hattie Faison, Margarettsville	22	---	---
Mars Hill	---	---	---	---
Meherrin	Mrs. J. C. Chitty, Murfreesboro	42	Mattie Joyner, Murfreesboro	57
Mt. Carmel	Miss Bettie McGlaughan, Seaboard	40	---	---
Mt. Tabor	Mrs. E. B. Vaughan, Mapleton	37	Mrs. L. H. Holloman, Mapleton	45
Murfreesboro	Mrs. D. A. Day, Murfreesboro	25	Annie L. Barnacasal, Murfreesboro	38
Menola	Bessie Parker, Woodland	18	---	---
Oak Grove	---	---	---	---
Pine Forest	A. Cree, Embro	16	---	---
Potecasi	Miss Rosa Baugham, Potecasi	40	Miss Mary Johnson, Potecasi	27
Pleasant Grove	---	---	---	---
Republican	Miss Blanche Pritchard, Aulander	31	John Peele, Lewiston	---
Rich Square	Mrs. J. P. Lassiter, Rich Square	25	---	---
Roanoke	Mrs. N. R. Warren, Rich Square	52	---	---
Roquist	---	---	---	---
Robert's Chapel	Mary Johnson, Pendleton	46	---	---
Ross's	---	---	---	---
Sandy Run	Mrs. G. L. Harrell, Roxobel	21	Henry Jenkins, Roxobel	66
Seaboard	Mrs. M. E. Gay	---	---	---
Siloam	---	---	---	---
Severn	Miss Annie Maddrey, Severn	20	---	---
St. John's	Mrs. Lucy A. Britton, Ahoskie	60	C. B. Vaughan, Ahoskie	65
Union	Mrs. Nettie Charles, Ahoskie	---	---	---
Winton	Mrs. H. H. Jones, Winton	19	Miss Jimmie Piland, Winton	29
Woodland	Mrs. W. P. Benthall, Woodland	35	Mrs. W. P. Benthall, Woodland	52

CHURCH EXPENSES.

Churches.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Building and Repairs.	Poor Fund.	Minute Fund.	Sunday School Expenses.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$400.00	\$75.00	\$1,150.00	\$119.88	\$3.00	\$75.00	\$1,822.88
Aulander	450.00	142.00	25.00	21.00	2.50	27.40	667.90
Bethlehem	325.00	23.50	---	5.00	2.50	11.85	367.85
Bethany	175.00	15.00	39.20	18.83	1.50	5.40	254.93
Branuley's Grove	125.00	7.45	29.00	23.43	2.50	53.90	241.28
Buckhorn	500.00	20.00	---	12.11	2.00	19.84	553.95
Capehart's	200.00	21.00	74.50	38.43	2.50	19.21	355.64
Cashie	1,000.00	84.64	---	12.75	2.50	93.69	1,193.58
Center Grove	175.00	25.00	---	---	2.00	7.00	209.00
Chowan	400.00	75.00	628.79	11.00	2.00	30.00	1,146.79
Christian Harbor	175.00	56.30	---	30.15	1.75	19.36	282.56
Coleraine	400.00	111.18	1,238.48	---	3.16	37.25	1,790.07
Connaritsa	225.00	50.00	5.25	20.15	2.50	---	302.90
Creeksville	125.00	15.00	40.00	12.00	---	10.00	202.00
Conway	150.00	2.50	246.03	21.19	2.50	46.37	469.32
Elam	200.00	10.00	---	---	1.00	14.37	225.37
Galatia	150.00	22.00	---	25.00	1.78	12.00	110.78
Green's Cross Roads	150.00	38.12	---	21.25	1.00	9.81	320.18
Harrellsville	250.00	62.25	---	5.68	2.00	11.00	330.93
Hebron	200.00	20.00	---	---	2.00	10.00	232.00
Hillside	75.00	2.50	---	---	.90	5.00	83.40
Holly Grove	150.00	17.50	---	2.00	2.50	13.79	185.79
Holly Springs	65.00	---	132.00	---	1.00	10.50	208.50
Jackson	200.00	75.00	65.00	---	1.00	20.38	361.38
Kelford	200.00	75.00	15.00	---	2.00	27.96	319.96
Lasker	125.00	33.41	200.00	5.00	1.00	---	361.38
Lawrence's	215.00	37.50	---	3.33	2.00	8.52	266.35
Lewiston	250.00	50.00	---	19.74	2.50	61.85	383.59
Margarettsville	100.00	15.00	4.00	---	1.00	20.00	140.00
Mars Hill	225.00	55.91	---	14.33	2.00	16.55	313.79
Meherrin	350.00	23.32	---	12.12	2.00	51.20	438.64
Mt. Carmel	200.00	18.50	---	15.50	1.50	12.00	247.50
Mt. Tabor	450.00	42.00	8.48	13.51	2.00	30.54	546.53
Murfreesboro	400.00	90.60	101.25	---	2.00	64.76	---
Menola	200.00	---	3,500.00	---	2.00	7.00	3,709.00
Oak Grove	150.00	61.04	---	6.79	1.00	27.20	246.03
Pine Forest	125.00	---	---	---	.75	---	125.75
Potecasi	225.00	37.00	276.00	7.00	2.50	19.10	566.60
Pleasant Grove	200.00	30.00	---	11.38	2.50	8.00	251.88
Republican	200.00	75.00	3.00	45.41	3.00	35.93	362.34
Rich Square	200.00	40.00	---	25.00	1.50	30.00	296.50
Roanoke	100.00	10.50	1.50	2.00	1.60	9.81	125.41
Roquist	75.00	5.00	---	---	---	---	80.00
Robert's Chapel	375.00	28.33	72.25	26.03	3.00	18.68	523.29
Ross's	200.00	27.00	7.00	28.48	2.21	---	264.69
Sandy Run	200.00	---	22.02	---	3.00	41.94	266.96
Seaboard	200.00	30.00	---	5.50	1.00	12.00	248.50
Siloam	100.00	5.47	34.35	---	1.00	2.97	143.79
Severn	250.00	65.00	---	11.15	2.50	27.58	356.23
St John's	125.00	---	26.25	15.30	1.25	---	167.80
Union	350.00	50.00	---	23.27	3.00	29.50	455.77
Winton	300.00	36.00	21.64	---	2.00	32.00	391.64
Woodland	200.00	---	---	---	2.00	38.61	240.61
Total	12,555.00	1,902.52	7,965.99	596.42	98.89	1,206.32	24,325.14

FINANCIAL TABLE—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

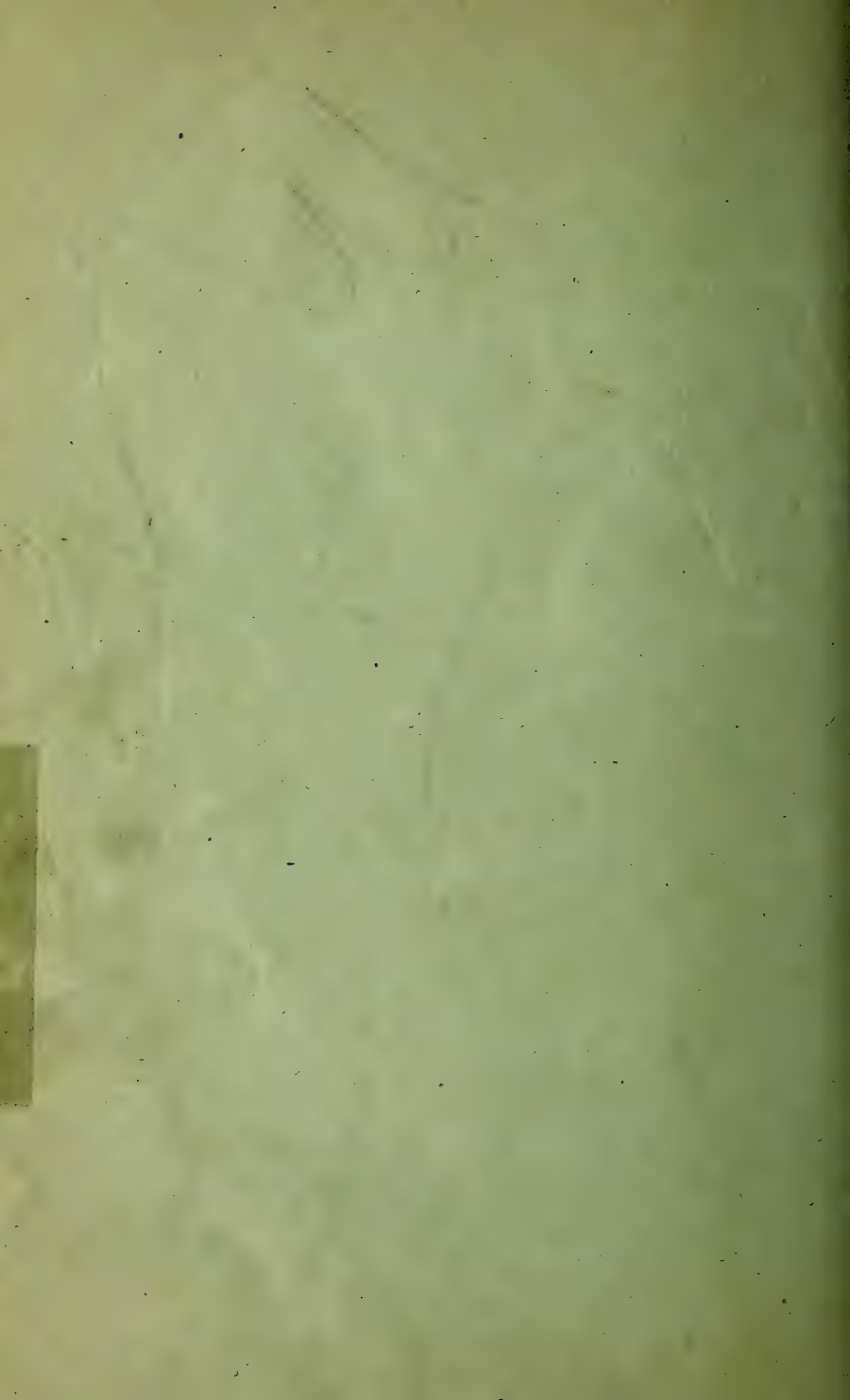
Churches.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Sunday School Missions.	Associational Missions.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie				\$121.96				\$121.96
Aulander	\$10.05			84.00				94.05
Bethlehem			\$5.00		\$8.10			13.10
Bethany				5.40			\$5.40	10.80
Brantley's Grove								
Buckhorn				100.00			49.93	149.93
Capehart's								
Cashie	7.06	\$14.57	19.29	45.00				85.92
Center Grove				65.00				65.00
Chowan				120.00	10.00		3.41	133.41
Christian Harbor	3.10	5.10	1.76	18.60				28.56
Coleraine	2.00	1.00	6.36	58.34				67.70
Connaritsa								
Creeksville								
Conway	2.40			21.83	4.20			28.43
Elam		1.40	5.00	33.20	5.05			44.65
Galatia								
Green's Cross Roads				5.90	2.00	\$2.00		9.90
Harrellsville				30.00				30.00
Hebron				15.00	5.00			20.00
Hillside								
Holly Grove	1.50	2.00		3.00				6.50
Holly Springs								
Jackson				22.37				22.37
Kelford		3.00		42.52	3.00		11.75	60.27
Lasker				12.21				12.21
Lawrence's					2.35			2.35
Lewiston			5.01	62.40				67.41
Margarettsville				16.00				16.00
Mars Hill	3.65	5.20		23.14				31.99
Meherrin								
Mt. Carmel				31.00	2.00			33.00
Mt. Tabor				71.62			1.75	73.37
Murfreesboro	3.44	2.50	2.50	41.32			5.00	54.26
Menola				36.00				36.00
Oak Grove								
Pine Forest								
Potocasi		2.29	10.00	64.28	8.90			85.47
Pleasant Grove								
Republican				83.45	11.00			94.45
Rich Square								
Roanoke							2.00	2.00
Roquist								
Robert's Chapel	8.11	9.00	17.13	79.93	4.51			118.68
Ross's								
Sandy Run		5.07		99.12				104.19
Seaboard				20.00				20.00
Siloam								
Severn				75.85	3.17			79.02
St. John's								
Union				75.00	3.17			78.17
Winton							20.00	20.00
Woodland				48.48	5.35			53.83
Total	41.31	51.13	71.65	1,631.92	77.80	2.00	99.24	1,974.45

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Missionary Society.						Sunbeams.				
	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Other Objects.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie	\$49.29	\$18.45	\$39.10			\$10.54	\$4.50	\$1.19	\$12.00		\$135.07
Aulander	47.91	3.60	38.25				6.00	7.00	8.00		121.57
Bethlehem	4.36	2.55	3.00				.28	.94	11.80	\$10.75	22.97
Bethany						8.00					82.00
Brantley's Grove	25.00	25.00	24.00			49.15					115.33
Buckhorn	48.14	14.30	3.75								17.00
Capehart's	10.00	3.00	4.00								118.40
Cashie	13.00	24.50	35.00			9.35	10.00	11.60	15.00		
Center Grove											
Chowan	50.00	30.00	55.30			50.00	8.64	3.81	4.85		202.60
Christian Harbor		5.00	5.00								10.00
Coleraine	16.80	11.35	12.10				7.60	4.86	13.66	2.00	68.33
Connaritsa											
Creeksville											
Conway	2.85	2.35	6.17			3.50			.58	.50	15.97
Elam	10.40										10.40
Galatia	3.35	12.75									16.10
Green's Cross Roads	20.60		8.95			10.15	11.28		22.40	3.00	76.33
Harrellsville											
Hebron											
Hillside	8.55	7.00	7.00			2.80					25.35
Holly Grove											
Holly Springs		2.00	2.50								4.50
Jackson		7.00	7.00			8.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.70	45.70
Kelford	7.00										
Lasker			4.50								11.40
Lawrence's	6.95		6.65			1.00					15.70
Lewiston	4.86	3.25	5.00			1.45					14.00
Margarettsville	3.50										
Mars Hill		6.08	9.91	\$9.00		1.45					26.40
Meherrin	5.56	5.25	6.50								17.31
Mt. Carmel	38.61	33.56	31.41				2.88	7.11	6.90		120.00
Mt. Tabor	11.80	25.14	27.46				9.01	2.10	6.82	6.89	89.10
Murfreesboro											
Menola											
Oak Grove	3.01										3.01
Pine Forest	29.23	6.20	26.77		\$1.45	2.50	2.00	1.42	.79		70.39
Potocasi											
Pleasant Grove											
Republican	6.20	7.00	25.10		20.55						58.85
Rich Square	4.50	7.80	17.88			2.45					32.00
Roanoke						1.45					1.45
Roquist											
Robert's Chapel	2.31	3.71	5.00			1.45					12.47
Ross's											
Sandy Run	2.55	1.85	7.81	29.00	1.45	1.00	2.63	1.95	.26	7.52	56.00
Seaboard	5.00	2.90	5.00								12.90
Siloam											
Seyern	7.86	8.25	6.50						7.21		22.82
St. John's											
Union	10.00	40.00	40.00			2.75					7.75
Winton	9.30	17.25	8.25		6.45	1.60	2.05	4.42	10.22	4.25	92.00
Woodland	6.05	13.89	11.07				1.08		1.71		63.00
Total	476.14	345.65	497.93	38.00	29.90	168.59	72.95	51.40	127.20	35.61	1,842.00

FINANCIAL TABLE—CHURCHES IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

Churches.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Minister's Relief Fund.	Sunday School Missions.	Other Objects.	Total.
Choskie	\$109.62	\$55.24	\$107.42	\$178.32		\$25.00	\$5.00		\$80.00	\$360.60
Clulander	188.96	85.60	121.25	102.85	\$181.92	25.00	21.05		53.57	650.20
Cethlehem	64.64	25.49	69.80	72.00	220.00	22.00	5.00	\$8.10	30.50	317.53
Cethany	25.00	20.00	20.00	5.40		5.00	5.00		30.40	110.80
Crantley's Grove	25.00	24.00	24.00	20.57		3.00	5.00			102.57
Cuckhorn	138.14	64.30	103.75	140.00		25.00	5.00		113.95	590.14
Capehart's	50.00	25.00	35.00	65.35		6.00	5.00	3.00	30.00	219.35
Cashie	75.00	60.45	100.00	107.83		13.87	6.36	3.77		267.22
Center Grove	41.00	20.00	31.00	65.00		8.00	6.00		20.00	171.00
Chowan	225.00	100.00	104.49	385.65	300.00	73.41	6.00	26.25		1,220.80
Christian Harbor	37.10	23.10	53.00	71.21	1.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	24.10	222.55
Cleraine	85.40	60.44	113.04	111.47	25.25	15.00	5.00	3.00	2.00	420.60
Connarrita	32.50	22.50	30.00	97.11	50.00	10.00	5.00		30.27	277.38
Creeksville	18.00	5.00	15.00				4.00			42.00
Conway	37.85	22.75	41.75	52.73		10.00	5.00	4.25	65.90	240.23
Clam	22.50	1.40	5.00	52.05				5.05		86.00
Clatla	21.00	16.00	22.00	6.50		5.00			20.47	90.97
Green's Cross R'ds	23.45	15.00	21.00	34.30		2.00	2.00	2.00	1.35	101.10
Farrellsville	71.88	21.00	79.35	84.00	13.15	6.00	5.00		20.00	300.38
Felbron	25.00	18.00	25.00	43.00	5.00	6.00	5.00	5.00		132.00
Filside	10.00	5.00	7.00	5.25		1.00			8.45	36.70
Folly Grove	35.05	27.00	32.50	28.00	100.00	8.00	5.00		33.50	269.05
Folly Springs	12.00	8.00	8.00			3.00	5.00		1.00	37.00
Fackson	25.00	20.50	22.50	22.37		5.00	5.00		45.00	144.87
Felford	42.00	45.00	47.00	57.82	33.34	6.00		3.00	37.45	271.27
Fasker	15.00	12.00	15.00	22.21		3.00	7.86			75.07
Fawrence's	42.50	17.60	34.91	14.61		5.00	4.00	2.35	58.54	179.51
Fawston	54.86	28.25	46.66	82.40		10.00	35.10		140.00	397.27
Fargarettsville	19.50	24.10	21.00	32.00		6.00	3.00		30.00	129.60
Fars Hill	54.00	45.20	100.00	146.45		10.00	5.00		31.13	391.78
Feherrin	36.50	36.08	44.91	64.00		22.95	5.00			209.44
Ft. Carmel	30.56	17.25	31.50	64.50		6.00	3.00	2.00	27.00	181.81
Ft. Tabor	83.52	68.21	58.67	205.77	98.77	8.10	6.43		50.43	579.93
Furfreesboro	74.25	79.71	86.78	72.12		35.00	7.55		6.86	312.27
Fenola	5.00	10.00	10.00	51.00		5.00	2.00			83.00
Fak Grove	16.00	18.00	16.00	6.66		6.00	2.00			64.66
Fine Forest	8.61		3.43	5.50					8.26	25.80
Fotecasi	102.46	49.82	110.33	169.92	51.45	11.00	5.00	8.90	22.50	531.38
Fleasant Grove	35.00	20.00	35.00	70.98	50.00	10.00	5.00		21.45	247.43
Fepublican	36.20	27.00	55.10	83.45	20.55			11.00	82.25	315.45
Fich Square	39.50	27.80	42.88	60.00		5.00	5.00	1.45	76.00	257.63
Foanoke	8.00	6.50	9.00	14.40		2.00	2.00		36.00	77.90
Foquist	8.00	8.00	7.00			3.00	2.00		1.50	29.50
Fobert's Chapel	65.42	42.70	92.13	124.75		22.50	5.00	4.51	26.85	383.86
Foss's	50.00	35.00	35.00	57.00		6.00			80.44	263.44
Fandy Run	35.18	38.87	38.07	128.12	1.45	10.00	5.25		81.52	338.46
Faboard	27.00	14.90	21.00	20.00		5.00	3.00		50.00	140.99
Floam	2.00	2.50	2.60	2.07		2.00			15.85	27.02
Fovern	42.86	38.25	56.50	108.85	50.00	15.00	5.00	3.17	244.50	564.13
F. John's	18.00	10.00	22.00	20.00	4.00		5.00		12.00	91.00
Funion	80.00	90.00	100.00	96.00		15.00		3.17	28.75	412.92
Finton	25.00	28.68	29.23	12.53	6.45	12.00			58.73	172.72
Foodland	37.13	37.89	37.78	67.96		11.00	5.55	5.35	111.59	314.25
Total	2,443.15	1,626.11	2,401.33	3,602.13	1,202.33	534.33	249.15	105.38	1,940.06	14,108.97



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STANDING COMMITTEES.

Foreign Missions—D. Cale, A. W. Early, J. C. Taylor.
State Missions—C. W. Scarborough, Estus White, J. B. Vick.
Home Missions—L. A. Parker, C. L. L. Cobb, J. W. Langdale.
Ministers' Relief—J. H. Matthews, A. P. Griffin, J. E. Tadlock.
Chowan College—Chas. P. Scott, J. S. Freeman, C. A. Dunning.
The Orphanage—W. B. Waff, W. S. Nelson, J. R. Stephenson.
Education—S. B. Barnes, D. N. Stephenson, G. S. Pruden.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Dancy Cale	Potecasi, N. C.
M. L. Green	Ahoskie, N. C.
S. B. Barnes.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
C. W. Scarborough	Woodland, N. C.
T. T. Speight	Windsor, N. C.
R. T. White.....	Conway, N. C.
J. R. Mathews	Aulander, N. C.
A. T. Howell	Murfreesboro, N. C.
M. A. Adams.....	Ahoskie, N. C.
Q. C. Davis.....	Windsor, N. C.
R. L. Gay	Aulander, N. C.
C. P. Scott	Murfreesboro, N. C.
J. F. Cale	Roxobel, N. C.
L. A. Parker	Menola, N. C.
John Barnes	Pendleton, N. C.
W. B. Waff	Conway, N. C.
A. C. Sherwood	Winton, N. C.
J. H. Poteat	Como, N. C.
W. F. Cale	Windsor, N. C.
F. A. Clark	Colerain, N. C.

Pastors, but not residing in the Association:

J. A. Speight	Sunbeam, Va.
A. Cree	Embro, N. C.
T. L. Brown	Gatesville, N. C.

OFFICERS.

T. Gillam, <i>Moderator</i>	Windsor, N. C.
J. T. Williams, <i>Vice-Moderator</i>	Harrellsville, N. C.
N. W. Britton, <i>Clerk</i>	Winton, N. C.
J. S. Mitchell, <i>Treasurer</i>	Winton, N. C.
J. F. Cale, <i>Historian</i>	Roxobel, N. C.

The officers constitute the Executive Committee of the Association.

CONSTITUTION.

NAME.

Article 1. This body shall be known as the NORTH CAROLINA WEST CHOWAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERSHIP.

Art. 2. It shall be composed of white delegates elected by churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of one hundred members and under shall be entitled to two delegates, and for every additional one hundred members an additional delegate: *Provided*, no church shall have more than four delegates.

OBJECTS.

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence and the spiritual power of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies, their resources and their gifts, in advancing the Redeemer's kingdom in the earth.

POWERS AND PREROGATIVES.

Art. 4. The Association shall have no power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical nor legislative council, nor court of appeal. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption, but can not bind them in any way. Yet, in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body, it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes heterodox in doctrine, or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself, either by delegate or letter, more than two successive sessions, without sufficient reasons, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for dismission.

RIGHTS OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent church of Jesus Christ. As constituent members of the Association the churches shall have the right to advise, when desired, in case of difficulty, and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches, they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

DUTIES OF THE CHURCHES.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates, as far as practicable, their most capable members, to require their attendance, and to send by them a contribution to the Association Fund to pay for printing the minutes and other necessary expenses.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of each church to send an annual letter to the Association, giving: (1) Locality; (2) the names of its pastor and clerk and their respective post offices; (3) the Sabbaths of regular service; (4) the church statistics, including the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, deceased, expelled, and aggregate membership, male and female; (5) Sabbath School statistics; (6) amount contributed to benevolent objects and the Association Fund; (7) names of delegates and alternates; (8) any other information deemed of special importance.

ORGANIZATION.

Art. 9. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Historian, who shall be elected at each annual session after the names of the delegates are enrolled, and shall continue in office until

the next annual election. As soon as the new officers shall have taken their seats the body shall be declared organized and prepared for business.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meetings punctually at time appointed; to enforce the rules; to preserve order, and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer, according to the principles of parliamentary usage.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to discharge the duties of the Moderator in his absence.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the body, and superintend the printing and distribution of same, and to keep on file the printed Minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 13. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse the money contributed to the Minute Fund, as directed by the body, and make an annual report of same.

Art. 14. It shall be the duty of the Historian, who shall be elected at each annual meeting of the body, to report at the next succeeding meeting, to prepare for publication in the Minutes an historical sketch of the church with which the association meets, with obituaries, incidents and other facts of the year that should be preserved.

Art. 15. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

Resolved, 1. That no church shall be entitled to representation in this body unless in perfect accord with the Constitution thereof, that fact to be ascertained by a committee of five on credentials, appointed at each session of the body immediately after organization.

2. The report of this committee shall be the property of the Association just as any other report. (Adopted 1898.)

Resolved, That henceforth this Association withdraw fellowship from any church that allows its members to engage in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. (1891.)

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that selling intoxicating liquors through a dispensary is a violation of the spirit and letter of the resolution of our Constitution. (1905.)

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Association shall convene annually at the time and place of its own appointment.

2. During each annual session it shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hours fixed upon by the body.

3. All meetings of the Association shall be opened and closed with religious exercises.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No member shall absent himself temporarily without leave of the Moderator, and finally without leave of the body.

6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

7. No member shall be allowed to talk, stand up, read or move about the house during business, except to gain or impart information under consideration.

8. No committee shall be in session during the hour of business without permission from the body.

9. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided by Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FIRST DAY.

- 11:00 a. m.—Introductory Sermon.
 12:00 m. —Enroll delegates. Appoint Committee on Credentials.
 12:30 p. m.—Recess.
 2:00 p. m.—Report of Committee on Credentials; organize, read Constitution;
 call names of churches that failed to represent themselves
 last session; receive new churches; invite visitors; appoint Com-
 mittees.
 3:00 p. m.—Orphanage.
 4:00 p. m.—Assignment of homes.
 Adjournment.

SECOND DAY.

- 9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
 9:45 a. m.—Report on Church Statistics.
 10:00 a. m.—Chowan College.
 11:00 a. m.—Report on Foreign Missions.
 12:00 m. —Report on State Missions.
 1:00 p. m.—Recess.
 2:40 p. m.—Report on Education.
 3:00 p. m.—Home Missions.
 4:00 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business.
 Adjournment.

THIRD DAY.

- 9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.
 9:45 a. m.—Routine Business.
 10:00 a. m.—Ministers' Relief.
 11:00 a. m.—Report of Committees.
 12:00 m. —Miscellaneous Business.
 Adjournment.

A. T. HOWELL,
 R. L. GAY,
 T. T. SPEIGHT,
Committee

PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, October 25, 1910.

The West Chowan Baptist Association met this day in its twenty-eighth annual session with the Rich Square Baptist Church, Northampton County.

Q. C. Davis preached the introductory sermon from First Cor. 15:3.

The Moderator, T. Gillam, called the Association to order, after which the roll of churches was called and the delegates were enrolled as follows:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Ahoskie—T. E. Brown, W. H. Miller, A. B. Cowan.
Aulander—A. W. Earley, J. L. Harrington, Herbert Jenkins, W. S. Dunning.
Bethlehem—R. P. Thomas, W. A. Perry.
Bethany—Dorsey Evans,* J. W. Lassiter, J. M. Perry.
Brantley's Grove—W. H. Bryant, L. R. Dilday, R. L. Simons.*
Buckhorn—H. J. Vann,* R. A. Mayette,* J. C. Taylor.
Capehart's—S. B. Adams,* H. J. Ward, W. L. Baker.
Cashie—E. L. Gatling, T. Gillam, C. A. Cooke,* T. H. Johnson.
Center Grove—E. W. Holloman, T. W. Godwin.
Chowan—W. P. Taylor, N. W. Britton.
Christian Harbor—J. H. Myers, J. H. Evans.
Coleraine—E. White, E. T. Forehand,* H. E. Wilson.
Connaritsa—W. G. Burden,* Josiah Earley,* Jesse Haggard.*
Creeksville—F. W. Bridgers, M. C. Lassiter,* W. H. Davis.
Conway—A. Lassiter, J. B. Vick.
Elam—C. L. Stephenson, T. J. Tayloe, Rufus A. Daniel.
Galatia—W. J. Blythe,* D. W. Taylor,* J. R. Taylor,* J. H. Allen.
Green's Cross Roads—C. W. Mizelle,* G. A. Conner,* D. S. Dempsey.
Harrellsville—W. E. Miller, J. T. Williams.
Hebron—Lloyd A. Parker, J. P. Griffin, J. D. Gatling.
Hillside—E. W. Waters,* J. F. Whedbee.*
Holly Grove—P. A. Harmon, J. R. Leggett.
Holly Springs—W. D. McGlaughan, Jesse Perry.
Jackson—J. T. Peebles,* Walter Gay.*
Kelford—C. L. L. Cobb, G. A. Brown.
Lasker—R. P. Morehead, W. R. Bridgers.
Lawrence's—Thos. S. White,* John M. Britt, J. W. Longdale.
Lewiston—W. J. Earley, W. J. Parker, T. S. Lassiter.
Margarettsville—J. G. Stancell, D. E. Bridgers.*
Mars Hill—J. F. White, Andrew Miller, J. M. Phelps.
Meherrin—J. K. Parker, W. S. Nelson, P. C. Parker.
Mt. Carmel—G. S. Pruden, J. R. Stephenson, R. B. Maddrey, Jr.
Mt. Tabor—J. D. Gatling, A. M. Brown,* N. B. Sewell.
Murfreesboro—Jas. D. Bruner, J. C. Scarborough.
Menola—H. W. Griffith,* C. W. Parker,* J. L. Snipes.*
Oak Grove—Harvey Hurdle,* H. C. Holloman.*
Pine Forest—John H. Camp,* J. R. Carstarphen.
Potecasi—J. W. Griffin, E. B. Lassiter, C. G. Powell.
Pleasant Grove—James Jobe,* C. W. Blow, C. A. Dunning.
Republican—G. W. White, W. F. Early,* E. E. Ward,* A. V. Cobb.
Rich Square—W. D. Brown, E. E. Liverman, J. T. Bolton.
Roanoke—Ellis Warren, L. M. Cooke.
Roquist—J. M. Yates,* J. E. Tadlock.*

*Absent.

Robert's Chapel—D. N. Stephenson, Alex. Horn, R. R. Maddrey.
Ross's—J. H. Lawrence, Luther White, L. C. White, D. E. White.
Sandy Run—A. T. Liverman, J. P. Baker, J. W. Watson, E. L. Bishop.
Seaboard—G. F. Gay, J. R. Crocker.
Siloam—T. R. Speller, N. T. Leggett.
Severn—J. B. Mann, J. T. Long.
St. John's—R. L. Edwards,* J. P. Vaughan,* W. P. Futrell.
Union—Jas. P. Freeman, W. A. Miller.
Winton—J. S. Mitchell, J. H. Jenkins.
Woodland—R. C. Benthall,* A. P. Griffin, J. M. Jacobs.
Ashly Grove—J. K. Revel, Hoggard Askew.
Merry Hill—F. P. Britt.

Words of welcome were spoken by J. F. Cale, pastor of Rich Square Church. The Association then adjourned for dinner. Benediction by J. A. Speight.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reconvened and was led in prayer by Livingston Johnson.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: T. Gillam, Moderator; J. T. Williams, Vice-Moderator; N. W. Britton, Clerk; J. S. Mitchell, Treasurer; J. F. Cale, Historian.

Jas. D. Bruner read the Constitution and Rules of Order.

The following visiting brethren were invited to seats in the Association: L. Johnson, Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board; M. L. Kesler, General Manager of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville; J. S. Farmer, representing the *Biblical Recorder*; W. L. Brett, L. A. Parker, J. C. Mizelle, C. E. Edwards.

Asheley's Grove and Merry Hill churches made application for membership in this body. A committee consisting of C. W. Scarborough, R. P. Thomas, and J. C. Scarborough was appointed to examine the Articles of Faith and the Covenant of these churches and report immediately. After considering the matter properly, the committee reported favorably and recommended that these churches be received, which was duly done, and the hand of fellowship was extended by the Moderator.

J. H. Poteat read the

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Missions was the eternal purpose of God.

Before the waters were separated from the land, before "the heavens declared the glory of God or the firmament showed His handiwork," before the great luminary began its race around the world, yea, even before He blew His breath in the nostrils of man or His voice was heard in the Garden of "Eden," missions were planned and "the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world" to make "Atonement" for the salvation of the world. And as soon as man fell from his sinless state and became a sinner, God has put forth every effort from that time to the second coming of Christ that was consistent with His eternal purpose and the free agency of man to redeem him from a lost state and bring him back to the image and likeness of God.

God is the author of missions. His call to Abraham had a twofold purpose: (1) To make of him a great nation; (2) that in him and in his seed should all the families of the earth be blessed. And Jesus Christ, who came of the seed of Abraham as the Son of God, the Saviour of the world; He came as a missionary and manifested that spirit and purpose in two ways: (1) By going through Galilee, Samaria and all Judea preaching His gospel and giving eternal life to all who received Him, even to them that believed on His name; and (2) when He was

* Absent.

about to leave the world He gave commission to his church and commanded it to go into all the world and preach His gospel to every creature, and to be witnesses to Him in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth. They were to begin at Jerusalem and from there take the world for Christ.

If the Baptists of North Carolina would take the world for Christ, they must take North Carolina with it, for it is in the world, and there is no other way to take the State for Christ except to preach the gospel of Christ to all the people of North Carolina, for Christ is the only way of eternal life and the gospel of Christ is the power of God to salvation to every one that believeth.

THE NEED FOR STATE MISSIONS.

The need for State Missions is great. There are over eight hundred thousand people in the State of North Carolina without a pure, whole, unadulterated gospel and half or more of these without any gospel at all. "There is much land yet to be possessed, a large area of rich, virgin soil remains untouched" by the Baptist. There are five counties in the State with only one Baptist preacher to the county, and that one would not be there were he not supported in large part by the State Board. There are four county seats in which there is not a Baptist Church or Baptist preacher. Many towns are yet unoccupied. There are many Baptist churches in the State that could not have a pastor, were it not for the help of the State Mission Board.

The provisions God has made for the evangelization of the State are seen in His providing a Saviour, His gospel, His preachers to proclaim the gospel, the men and women He has called out of darkness into His marvelous light to show forth His praises and the prosperity He has given His people. They have grown in numbers and in prosperity to the extent that there should not be one soul in the State that has not had an opportunity to hear the gospel and go to church every Lord's day.

ENCOURAGEMENTS.

The Baptists of North Carolina have many things to encourage them. (1) He has called them to the high position of being coworkers with Him in the salvation of the State, and through the State the world. (2) He has blessed every effort they have ever put forth for the evangelization of the State from thirty to an hundred fold. (3) He has promised them great rewards in the completion of the work.

So, then, brethren, let us wake up to our duty and be doing, and put forth the most strenuous effort for the redemption of the State and through it the world.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

- (1) That we enlarge our contributions to State Missions.
- (2) That we earnestly urge our churches to try to obtain a contribution from every member who has the ability to give.
- (3) We also recommend that those who have the ability to give and do not, after sufficient admonition be excluded from the fellowship of the churches. For if they have not the spirit of missions they have not the spirit of Christ, and if they have not the spirit of Christ they are none of His, and therefore have no right to be members of His churches.
- (4) That the churches of this Association make their remittances for State Missions to the Secretary monthly.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. POTEAT.

The report was discussed by J. H. Poteat, L. Johnson, T. T. Speight, F. A. Clark, J. D. Bruner, J. A. Speight, D. Cale, and was adopted.

The following committees were appointed:

Finance—A. V. Cobb, A. W. Early, C. L. Stephenson.

Time and Place for Next Session of this Body—E. L. Gatling, D. N. Stephenson, C. L. L. Cobb.

At this point, homes were assigned the delegates and visitors.

On motion, the Association adjourned with the benediction by C. W. Scarborough.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association convened at 9:30 o'clock. W. B. Waff conducted the religious exercises.

The Report on Church Statistics was read and approved.

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT.

Number churches	55
Churches reporting no pastor	1
Churches reporting no baptisms	9
Number received by baptism	436
Number deaths	121
Number exclusions	78
Total membership of all churches	11,888
Number ordained ministers	3
Number churches having preaching every Sunday	10
Number churches having preaching two Sundays in each month	

CONTRIBUTIONS.

State Missions	\$2,499.72
Home Missions	1,764.78
Foreign Missions	2,397.87
Orphanage	3,127.19
Colleges and schools	1,316.47
Ministerial Education	495.70
Ministers' Relief Fund	323.58
Associational Missions	52.73
Sunday School Missions	42.88
Other objects	1,663.38
Total	\$13,684.30

The report on the Baptist Orphanage was read by T. T. Speight.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage is in fine working condition. The health of the orphans is as good as it has been for years. No epidemic has prevailed in their midst for the past year. The running expenses for the year have been met except the last few months, they have run a little behind. But all of that will be met, for nothing lies closer to the hearts of the Baptists than this institution. But its greatest need of to-day is room somewhere for the children who are knocking at its door. May God move upon the hearts of the Baptists of the State to enlarge its capacity for taking care of more children.

Respectfully submitted for the committee, T. T. SPEIGHT.

Resolved, That we assure the Trustees of our Orphanage of our purpose to erect a building there, to be known as the West Chowan Building, and that we here make plans to have this done within the ensuing year.

T. T. SPEIGHT.

The report was spoken to by T. T. Speight, M. L. Kesler, C. W. Scarborough, J. A. Speight, T. Gillam, J. T. William, J. D. Bruner, W. P. Shaw, E. White,

A. I. Parker. On motion, J. W. Boone, C. H. Griffin, W. P. Taylor, A. V. Cobb, and T. E. Browne were appointed a committee to devise plans to raise the means for placing a West Chowan Building at our Orphanage at Thomasville, and to raise the money.

The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, There is an organized effort in our State on the part of the State school men to induce the next Legislature to issue bonds for the University and State colleges; and

WHEREAS, We believe such a move detrimental to the State's best interest, to the best interest of education, and certainly to the cause of Christ; therefore be it

Resolved 1. That this, the West Chowan Association, consisting of over 12,000 Baptists, do hereby most earnestly protest against such an effort.

Resolved 2. That we do hereby request the representatives from the counties composing this Association to use their influence and vote against such a bond issue. That we request the representative from Hertford County to present this to the Legislature.

A. T. HOWELL.

W. B. WAFF.

A. T. Howell read the

REPORT ON CHOWAN COLLEGE.

With profound, heartfelt gratitude in the kind providence of God, we come to make our sixty-second report of Chowan College. For more than three score years Chowan College has stood as a beacon light to gladden the hearts and bless the homes of the people in this part of our beloved State.

She is our queen. Though more than sixty years old, her eye is not dimmed, neither is her strength abated. She is as fair as a Madonna without a silvery lock of hair, or a wrinkle in her face. We are proud of her past history. It is covered in golden glory. She has sent nearly five hundred graduates and a host of undergraduates into the world as light bearers to light up the earth and make our homes the very suburbs of Heaven. The influence of these Christian women has gone into every church and nearly every home, and helped make this Chowan country the fairest Eden upon which the wings of a bird ever cast a shadow.

She has been the great heart of the two Chowan associations, sending the warm life blood into every nook and corner and causing them to throb with new life and power.

With glad hearts we mention her present prosperity. When we last met she was shrouded in a cloud of debt. A debt of nearly \$11,000 hung as a mill-stone about her neck. But by the arduous and tactful labor of Dr. Bruner, \$10,100 have been paid or pledged.

To-day there are in the college 92 boarders, 112 enrolled students, happy, contented, healthy, and doing good work.

We have a harmonious, industrious and efficient faculty of twelve instructors—two men and ten women—all of them well equipped for the work committed to their hands.

The old curriculum has been greatly enlarged, and valuable and essential additions have been made. One year's course in the systematic study of the Bible, and one year's course in Christian Missions have been added. Also two courses in Normal Training is given each year.

The library has been augmented by many well-selected and up-to-date books. The reading room has been furnished with the best papers and magazines of the day.

Our A.B. degree is now as thorough and as substantial as any A.B. degree given by any college in the State.

The moral and religious atmosphere of the college is just splendid. The Spirit of the Great Teacher reigns supreme. In the middle of the day, in the midst of the busy hours, the student body with the faculty leave the work in the lecture rooms and repair to the chapel, where fifteen minutes are spent in the worship of Almighty God. A well-organized Missionary Society meets twice a month, in

which the students are expected to take part. And besides the students have the privilege of going to church and Sunday School every Sunday, and also to a mid-week prayer-meeting.

The scholarly president, Dr. Jas. D. Bruner, is an educator of large and varied experience. He is the author of several books, some of which are used in the colleges and great universities as text-books. Besides being a scholar and a Christian gentleman, Dr. Bruner is a good financier and a first-rate business man. Mrs. J. D. Bruner is the right woman in the right place, and is no less capable and efficient in her sphere than Dr. Bruner is in his. To them more than to any one else is due our present prosperity.

While the past history of the college is enviable, and her present is gratifying, your committee declares in the spirit of calm deliberation and in the tones of no false alarm that the college has come to a place where two seas meet. If she moves on in ever widening influence and in ever increasing efficiency, she must be endowed and better equipped for the service of the King, and that with a liberal hand. It is endowment or death.

In view of the needs of the school for its perpetuity and continued prosperity, your committee makes the following recommendations:

1. We recommend that the churches, as far as possible, have a Chowan College Day, and discuss Christian education and raise money for the permanent endowment fund of the college.

2. That the churches be requested to pledge and contribute annually to the endowment fund, just as they do to the other objects of the Association and State Convention.

3. That the alumnæ be encouraged to form societies to stir up interest and lay the work of the college on the hearts of our people.

God is calling us in trumpet tones to our best efforts for this all-important work. If it is important to educate our boys, it is more so to educate our girls.

Men have fought battles, built railroads, constructed steamships, spanned rivers, tunneled mountains; men have developed the sciences, stripped the earth of its mysteries, and harnessed its forces to service; men have penetrated the universe, they have followed the planets in their flight through the labyrinth of space; men have given to the world its masterpieces in painting, in sculpture, in architecture. Women have given to the world monuments of far greater value; the statues they have chiseled throb with life and live to uplift humanity when those of bronze and marble are dissolved into common dust. The most important work in the world has to do with the heart. It is on this canvas woman is painting. Her masterpieces are immortal men and women. Let us be loyal to our college and equip it so that our women shall be prepared to do their best work.

A. T. HOWELL,
For the Committee.

On this report, J. D. Bruner addressed the Association, after which pledges were made for the endowment of the college.

The report was adopted.

A telegram from M. A. Adams, who could not be present, was received and read before the Association.

A. T. Howell was appointed to take the place of M. P. Davis on the Committee on Order of Business.

The Association now adjourned for dinner, with the benediction by C. E. Edwards.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by J. C. Scarborough, Moderator *pro tem*. The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, There are some who think the pledge system has served its day. Therefore, be it *resolved*, That our churches be requested to take the amount

raised for missions and benevolence last year as the minimum to be raised next year, and that they further be requested to make an advance on these amounts of at least ten per cent, and as much more as possible. W. B. WAFF.

C. T. Willingham and C. L. Dowell were recognized as visitors and welcomed by the Moderator.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preachers for the next session of the Association reported as follows: Place, Winton Baptist Church. Time, Tuesday after fourth Sunday in October, 1911. To preach introductory sermon, L. A. Parker, alternate, C. P. Scott.

On motion, J. F. Cale was elected a member of the State Mission Board, J. H. Poteat, a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention; C. W. Scarborough, D. Cale, Paul Fleetwood, delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

At this point, C. T. Willingham, missionary to Japan, addressed the Association on Foreign Missions.

Q. C. Davis read the

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

There has not been a time, since the days of the Apostles, so favorable to the spread of Christianity among *all* nations of the earth, as the present time. There have been periods in the past when the gospel of Christ was favorably received by the people of *some* nations. But at the same time there would be other nations with doors closed, or well nigh closed, against the gospel. It was not until very recent years that the doors of *all* nations were opened to the messenger of the cross. And to-day the preaching of the cross receives a greater welcome than ever before. Several causes have contributed to this condition, chief among which are recent wars. We are standing practically at the close of several wars. China and Japan, the United States and Spain, England and the Boers, Russia and Japan, and conflicts of more or less seriousness and consequence in Central and South America. The history of Christian Missions shows that at the close of wars, and a period of several years following, Christianity has made its most rapid strides. In the past fifteen years the people of every continent, and on both hemispheres, have been at war. There is now universal peace; and the nations of the earth are taking on new life and activity. The "New Nationalism" not only characterizes America, but China and Japan, Mexico and Brazil, together with Africa and the isles of the sea. All this indicates great mental, as well as material, activity. This is the day of opportunity for Foreign Missions. Let not the children of this world be wiser in their generation than the children of light. A need, the ability, and an opportunity create responsibility. And when we add to these the command of the Lord to "preach the gospel to every creature," our responsibility is, indeed, great!

Our Saviour said, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into His harvest." When we thus pray, the Lord raises up men who say with Isaiah: "Here am I, send me." But it is ours likewise to respond to the call for more means with which to enlarge and prosecute this great work. The Lord has blessed us most abundantly, both spiritually and financially. "Freely ye have received, freely give." And the Lord will open the windows of Heaven and pour us out a blessing greater than we have ever known.

Q. C. DAVIS,
H. J. WARD,
Committee.

This report was spoken to by Q. C. Davis, and was adopted.

W. P. Shaw read the report on the

MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

This board was organized, as the name implies, to aid Baptist ministers of the gospel in our State, who by reason of advanced age and impaired health and strength are no longer able to prosecute their work and procure for themselves a competency, and indigent widows of such ministers. Truly this object can not fail to commend itself to every generous heart as a most worthy Christian enterprise.

The board is established at Durham, in our State, and as now organized is composed of nine members, five of whom are ministers and four are laymen, with Rev. W. C. Barrett president and Rev. J. M. Arnett corresponding secretary.

The receipts of the board last year, including interest on funds invested, amounted to \$4,209.17.

The charter authorizes the distribution of one-third of the annual contributions to needy applicants. The other two thirds of the contributions are invested as an interest-bearing fund. There are now thirty-five beneficiaries being helped by the board. They are receiving each amounts ranging from \$17.50 to \$105.00.

The spirit of patriotism and philanthropy can not fail to commend to all of our people the pensioning of soldiers, teachers, public service employees, and all others who have spent the larger and better portion of their lives in the interest and welfare of the public, and who now in the age of their decline are destitute and physically helpless, and as Christian beneficiaries of the aged soldiers of the cross, we can not afford to be less generous to our true and worthy benefactors, who have devoted the best years of their lives to the spiritual uplift and welfare of the churches and the moral and social progress of the general public.

Gratitude is one of the noblest attributes of the human soul, and your committee appeals to the churches of the Association to make their contributions to this board worthy of the cause it represents, remembering that "he that receiveth a prophet, in the name of a prophet, shall have a prophet's reward." And that he lives the most who does the most for humanity, and best serves his Lord.

W. P. SHAW,
For Committee.

W. P. Shaw discussed the report, and it was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

JAS. P. FREEMAN, *Treasurer,*

In account with West Chowan Association.

1909.

Oct.	27.	To amt. received from Finance Committee for State Missions..	\$30.50	
	27.	To amt. received from Finance Committee for Education.....	8.00	
	27.	To amt. received from Finance Committee for Minute Fund...	98.89	
		To amt. received from N. W. Britton for Minute Fund.....	2.00	
				\$139.39
Nov.	3.	By amt. paid Walters Durham for State Missions.....	\$30.50	
	3.	By amt. paid Walters Durham for Education.....	8.00	
	3.	By amt. paid Edwards & Broughton, Minutes.....	71.75	
	3.	By amt. paid N. W. Britton, Clerk.....	30.00	140.25
			Balance due J. P. Freeman, Treasurer.....	\$0.86

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. FREEMAN, *Treasurer.*

This report was adopted.

On motion, a collection amounting to \$54.50 was taken for Grover Wilder, who is now at the Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., studying for the ministry.

On motion, Q. C. Davis was requested to furnish the Introductory Sermon for publication in the *Biblical Recorder*.

The Association then adjourned, with prayer by J. C. Scarborough.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

J. C. Mizelle led the religious exercises, after which the Association began its regular work for the day, with J. T. Williams in the chair.

A committee consisting of J. S. Mitchell, R. P. Thomas, and J. H. Poteat was appointed to name six persons from whom two trustees for Chowan College may be selected. The Committee named Estus White, J. T. Bolton, W. C. Evans, T. E. Brown, J. J. White, and R. P. Morehead.

On motion, the thanks of this body were tendered Rich Square Church and its friends for the splendid hospitality extended the Association.

J. C. Scarborough read the

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845, and is the agency by which Southern Baptists are enabled to reach religious destitution and by preaching the gospel save the lost who can not be saved by the individual States and Territories, because of the lack of means in such States and Territories as have but few Baptists and small means.

When our Saviour said, "Preach the gospel to ever creature," He also said, "beginning at Jerusalem." And "Ye are My witnesses"—everywhere, at home and abroad. The love of God in the hearts of the people gives more strength to a nation than do battleships and armies. *Home Missions* help to save the whole, because Home Missions save more people *to give and go* to other nations with the message of salvation. When by our mission work we save America we can show to the heathen nations what Christ, by the power of His gospel, can do for them, because example is stronger than words alone.

The Home Mission Board has *ten* classes of mission work committed to its care.

First. *Aiding weak churches* by assisting in supporting their pastors. This board aided 2,631 such churches last year. It, in co-operation with the various State boards, aided also 2,544 more. Besides these, the various State boards aided about 1,800 more. There are many feeble churches, and neglected places without any churches, where great good could be done by timely aid.

Second. *Mountain Mission Schools*.—These schools are conducted by the Home Mission Board for the boys and girls in the Southern mountains. There are now 27 of these schools—one in Virginia, *eight* in North Carolina, *three* in Kentucky, *five* in Tennessee, *two* in South Carolina, *four* in Georgia, *four* in Alabama.

Dr. A. E. Brown, Asheville, N. C., is the efficient and zealous superintendent of these schools. These schools give the mountain boys and girls an education and teach them to give their lives and trained powers for service to our Lord. The property value of these schools is about \$500,000.

Third. *Evangelism*.—It is the effort of the Southern Baptists through this board to send capable evangelists among the people with the good news of salvation. There are now *twelve* of these, and more will be employed soon. Dr. Weston Bruner, general evangelist, leads this work. It has been greatly blessed and thousands are being led to Christ through the labors of these men of God. All kinds of places are visited, from the mining camp, the mountain village, the brush arbor stand in the country, to the biggest, wealthiest city churches.

Fourth. *Work in Cities*.—Besides aiding in the support of pastors and in the erection of houses of worship in various cities, the Home Board supports a number of special missionaries in needy places. Some of these are men and some are women. The number of these mission workers in our cities is about *twenty-five*.

Fifth. *The Church Building Loan Fund.*—There are 4,500 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention with no houses of worship. *Three thousand* are west of the Mississippi River, 400 in Kentucky, 300 in Tennessee, and 800 in the other States east of the Mississippi. West of the Mississippi is a newer country and many churches have not been able to build. Hence the 3,000 churches without houses in that vast territory. A church without a house of worship can not impress its community with its message of salvation. The Home Board aids many churches in house building each year. It has to decline many worthy requests for lack of means. It has a building fund now of about \$50,000. It is seeking to raise a permanent Church Building Loan Fund of \$500,000. This important work needs our help.

Sixth. *Work Among the Foreigners.*—About one million foreigners come to America each year to live. About *forty* nationalities are represented in these "alien" immigrants. They do not know America and its institutions and large numbers of them are exceedingly ignorant. Most of them have a religion little better than superstition or else none at all. The best way to make good Americans of them is to lead them to Christ. They can be won to Christ far easier here than when they were among the prejudices and traditions of their old homes. More than two hundred thousand of these go back each year to the old homes. If we can make Christians of these by preaching the gospel to them before they return, it will be a mighty means for converting to our Lord the nations of the earth. There are about *fifty workers* employed by the Home Board among the foreigners of the South. These work in cities where foreigners land and in places where they settle to live. Foreigners are rapidly turning to the South to find homes and employment.

Seventh. *Work Among the Indians.*—There are about three hundred thousand Indians in America. There are about one hundred thousand of these in Oklahoma. The Home Board has sent missionaries to them for many years, and now has 18 missionaries working among the various tribes of Indians. We have a good church building and parsonage at each place of work. This work is hopeful and the outlook gives cheer.

Eighth. *The Negroes.*—There are ten millions of negroes in the South. More of these are Baptists than belong to all other denominations. This is so because the white Baptists of the South for the last hundred years have given much attention to preaching the gospel to them and leading them to the Saviour. The Home Mission Board, by direct instructions of the Baptist brotherhood, has conducted mission work among the negroes ever since its organization in 1845. Our first obligation to the people of other races than our own is to the Southern negro. He is with us and has been for all the years of his slavery and of his freedom. He will be with us for the years of the future. They need the example of Christian living on our part. They need our direct aid in mission work in developing them into an intelligent Christian faith and in their church life and activities.

Ninth. *Mission Work in Cuba.*—There are about two million people in Cuba. They are mainly of Spanish descent and speak the Spanish language. The Home Mission Board began work in Cuba in 1886. Most of the Cubans are nominally Catholics. Their religion usually has little influence on their lives. Rev. M. N. McCall, at Havana, is our superintendent of missions in Cuba. W. W. Barnes, formerly of North Carolina, is president of our Baptist College at Havana. We have in Cuba 19 ordained ministers and 10 other workers, including teachers, besides pastors' wives. We have 22 organized churches, 25 other preaching stations. Church property valued at \$196,000, and 1,315 members. The outlook for Cuban missions is bright in every respect.

Tenth. *The Panama Canal Zone.*—This is a strip of land 47 miles long by 10 miles wide, extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean. It was ceded to the United States by the Panama Republic in 1904 for the purpose of digging a canal. The United States expects to finish the canal by January, 1915. Ships from all parts of the world will pass to and fro through it, and our Gulf and other Southern ports will be greatly enlarged in wealth and population. The Home Board opened the first mission in this zone in 1905. Rev. J. L. Wise and

seven other missionaries associated with him, are the mission workers at present in the zone. There are seven organized churches, with a membership of 519, and six mission stations besides.

These are some of the facts and figures about the mission work of our Home Mission Board. We need to study them in order to become interested in the work of the board, and becoming interested in order that we may give intelligently and liberally to forward this important department of our work.

Out of 90,000,000 population in the United States, there are only about 20,000,000 members of evangelical denominations. Are we not too much neglecting our Jerusalem, Judea, and Samaria?

Have our churches the unselfish Christian love and consecration to take hold of the crying needs of the submerged and neglected on the one hand, and of the pleasure seekers and money-mad on the other? The world is asking whether we have a gospel that is strong enough to command the hearts and lives of sin-buffed men and bring harmony of love where now abides the discord of hate and selfish greed.

The Christian denominations of America are awakening to the magnitude of these problems and others not here mentioned. They are turning with an encouraging unanimity to Home Missions as the means whereby such problems must be solved.

Southern Baptists must take a large part in saving the lost of America. We hold the gospel in its purity. Since we have so much to give in making good Americans, while at the same time we make Christians, we are under the deeper obligation to do large things. Because we are more numerous than any other Christian body in the South, our obligation is greater than any other.

God has blessed the labors of the missionaries of our Home Board to far larger fruitage than that shown by the reports of similar mission boards. The board last year reported 27,426 baptisms and 52,910 additions to churches through the labors of missionaries supported wholly or in part by it. No mission board in the world has reported results one-half so large as these. No home mission board in America, so far as we can find, had results more than one-third as large, though several expended four times as much in the work.

This year the Southern Baptist Convention is asking for \$400,000 to be raised for the work of the Home Board. Of this amount, \$26,000 is apportioned to our State; and our Association ought to raise every cent of its share of this amount.

Your committee recommends:

1. That our pastors be requested to make an earnest effort at least once during the year to preach a special sermon on Home Missions and the magnitude and importance of the problems involved.

2. That a club of subscribers be raised in each church for the *Home Field*, the unusually attractive and illuminating monthly magazine of the Home Board.

3. That churches and pastors be encouraged to make large use of the Home Board's informing tracts and sample copies of the *Home Field*, both of which are free for the asking. The address of the Home Mission Board is No. 723 Ansell Building, Atlanta, Ga.

JOHN C. SCARBOROUGH,
C. H. GRIFFIN,
W. M. WATSON,

Committee.

This report was discussed by J. C. Scarborough, C. W. Scarborough, A. T. Howell, Q. C. Davis, F. A. Clark, W. B. Waff, and was adopted.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT.

Your Historian begs leave to report that a careful review of the year's work reveals:

PROGRESS.

Many of our churches have caught a spirit of progressiveness. The building of new church houses, the remodeling of old ones, a growing evangelical and missionary spirit in our churches, an advance over last year's contributions to

several hundred dollars of the objects of the Convention, contributions from all our churches to State, Home and Foreign Missions, every Sunday preaching by three of our churches, and twice-a-month by ten others, an increase in pastor's salary by a few—these are some of the evidences of progress.

It is gratifying to note in many of our churches the growth and influence of

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

This department of our work was never more prosperous nor more fruitful of results than now. Of the 424 baptisms reported last year, about 380 were from the Sunday School. Organized classes in many of our schools are proving quite an impetus to the work. Young people are being influenced and stimulated in Bible study as never before.

The spiritual life of our churches has been quickened as a result of

REVIVAL MEETINGS.

Nearly all of our churches held special meetings during the revival season. Many churches have had large ingatherings, while in a few the ingatherings are unprecedented.

Mention should be made of

NEW CHURCHES.

Our churches now number fifty-five, two new churches—Merry Hill and Ashley Grove—having been organized and admitted into the Association. One new church—Powellsville—among us, but not of us, has not yet been admitted into the Association.

Since our last meeting we have imported two

NEW PASTORS.

Pastor C. P. Scott is located at Murfreesboro, and is shepherding Meherrin and Powellsville. Pastor F. A. Clarke is located at Colerain, and is shepherding Colerain, Harrellsville and Christian Harbor. These brethren are able and add strength to our ministry.

Bro. L. A. Parker begins a pastorate in the Association with the new year. Bro. Parker is well prepared for the work.

Several of our churches are building

NEW CHURCH HOUSES.

Ashley Grove is rapidly pushing to completion, at a cost of \$2,500, a house of worship containing main auditorium and Sunday School rooms, with a seating capacity of 500. We offer congratulations.

Merry Hill is getting herself in readiness to build a church house that will meet the demands of her work. She has had an auspicious beginning, and we are expecting great things of her.

We congratulate the Buckhorn saints. They are building unto the Lord, at a cost of \$4,000, a new church house, modern in design and construction, containing main auditorium, with bowled floor, and Sunday School equipment. The building will be heated by a furnace.

The Conway Church paid off her debt early last spring, and, on the second Sunday in May dedicated her new house of worship. The outlook here is encouraging.

The saints at Windsor are rapidly pushing to completion a house of worship which will meet the demands of the growing work in Windsor. The building will be of brick, trimmed with stone, and will be divided into two general departments—main auditorium and Sunday School department. The Sunday School department will contain six separate rooms, and an assembly room. The latter will be connected with the main auditorium by sliding doors, the two forming one continuous auditorium.

We note some

PASTORAL CHANGES.

Elder W. B. Waff has resigned the work at Holly Grove; he goes to Severn for two Sundays.

Rev. S. B. Barnes goes from Brantley's Grove to Merry Hill; Bro. F. A. Clarke resigns the work at Colerain.

Elder M. A. Adams has moved to Winterville. He will remain pastor of one church—Bethany—in our Association.

Since our last meeting Bro. D. Cale has taken up the work at Ashley Grove.

Elder A. T. Howell goes from Potecasi and Mars Hill to Murfreesboro for two Sundays and four Sunday nights in the month.

Elder T. T. Speight goes from Kelford and Conaritsa to Mars Hill and Green's Cross Roads.

J. F. Cale has resigned the work at Mt. Carmel; he goes to Kelford.

Bro. M. P. Davis has left our ranks; he is shepherding East Durham Baptist Church.

We are expecting great things of

CHOWAN COLLEGE.

There are now in the college ninety-one boarders, twenty-five of whom are from the Chowan Association. The college was able to meet all expenses last year, with a small surplus left over as a sinking fund. The debt of ten thousand dollars has been nearly provided for. Quite a number of churches have granted scholarships for the current year. We congratulate the head management.

The year having thinned our ranks, some space should be given to

NECROLOGY.

Bro. E. S. Boyd and Bro. Lawrence Hasty, of Mt. Carmel, and Bro. Tom Brown, of Rich Square, all promising young men, have died within the year.

Sister Partheny Vaughan Chitty, wife of Deacon John T. Chitty, of Meherrin, died May 19, 1910.

Deacon A. J. Dunning and Sister Chas. Jenkins, of Conaritsa, have fallen on sleep. They were vigilant, active workers.

In the death of Bro. Pate Miller, Capehart's has lost a good man and an active worker.

Republican loses a wise leader in the death of Deacon William Pritchard.

On February 1, 1910, Murfreesboro lost a prominent and useful member in the death of Dr. W. G. Freeman.

Union sustains a loss in the death of Bro. James H. Darden.

In the death of Bro. Kinchen Davis, Galatia has lost a faithful Christian worker.

Bro. C. W. Harrell, of Woodland, has crossed over the river. Bro. Harrell's worth to his church and community can not be estimated.

Pleasant Grove has lost by death Sister Mollie Britton and Sister Bettie Sharp. They were faithful, zealous Christian workers.

Colerain loses in the death of Bro. Henry Harrell one of its oldest members.

Deacon James M. Powell, Bro. David Gilliland and Deacon Sumner Newsome, all of Harrellsville, have died within the year.

In the death of Sister Veronie C. Blythe Christian Harbor loses a faithful worker.

Kelford suffers loss in the death of Bro. J. J. Brown.

We had a glorious time at

RICH SQUARE.

Bro. Q. C. Davis preached the introductory sermon. All the old officers were reelected, except the Treasurer. Bro. J. S. Mitchell, of Winton, was elected to fill this office. Reports on the different boards were made as usual, showing careful preparation. The discussions were somewhat above the average. Visitors were in evidence, among whom we recall the following: L. Johnson, M. L. Kesler, J. C. Mizell, W. L. Britt, J. S. Farmer, C. T. Willingham, C. L. Dowell. The next session goes to Winton, L. A. Parker to preach the introductory sermon.

Your Historian knows little of the

HISTORY OF RICH SQUARE CHURCH.

Corinth Church, now just outside the corporate limits of the town of Rich Square, was built in 1854. Here the Baptists of Rich Square and vicinity worshiped regularly until 1892. The records covering these years have been lost, hence little information is available.

In 1892, through the labors of a few earnest, self-sacrificing brethren and sisters, a new site was purchased and a new building begun. After spending about \$1,200 on this building, these brethren and sisters bestowed it all upon the brethren and sisters of Corinth. This new home was styled the Rich Square Baptist Church. Here the church has been worshiping regularly since 1892. Within a time limit of fifty-six years Rich Square has had two houses of worship, two sites and two names.

JOHN FRANKLIN CALE,
Historian.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee, beg leave to make the following report:

Received for—

State Missions	\$ 35.00
Home Missions	35.00
Foreign Missions	120.55
Orphanage	7.26
Ministerial Education	22.00
Old Ministers' Relief	5.00
Minute Fund	96.65
Total	\$321.46

A. V. COBB,
A. W. EARLEY,
C. S. STEPHENSON,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

After singing "How Firm a Foundation," the Association adjourned, with prayer by C. W. Scarborough.

T. GILLAM, *Moderator.*
N. W. BRITTON, *Clerk.*

CHURCH STATISTICS.

Churches.	Received.				Lost.				Membership.			Location and Date of Constitution.
	Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Total.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
.....	29	16	8	53	17	9	5	31	159	275	434	Hertford Co. 1804
er	19	12	6	37	12	1	1	14	148	182	330	Bertie Co. 1886
s Grove	7	117		124					65	59	124	Northampton Co. 1910
em		8	1	9	4		1	5	76	108	184	Hertford Co. 1835
y's Grove	31	8	2	41	4	1		5	118	151	269	Bertie Co. 1881
rn	9	8	1	18	4		2	6	90	102	192	Hertford Co. 1877
rt's		9		9	3	4	1	8	138	122	260	Hertford Co. 1835
Grove	1	4	2	7	61	7	11	73	127	187	314	Bertie Co. 1824
	27	18	6	51	7	1	1	9	135	180	315	Bertie Co. 1878
	6	2		12	15		3	18	84	89	173	Bertie Co. 1897
n Harbor	9	3	1	9	3	1	1	5	57	70	127	Hertford Co. 1895
ne	8	3		12	2	2	5	9	86	85	171	Hertford Co. 1881
tsa	9	18	1	27	17	2	1	20	180	201	381	Bertie Co. 1780
ille		2		2	14	1	7	22	136	181	317	Bertie Co. 1789
	3			3	2	2	3	7	75	70	145	Northampton Co. 1892
	9	7		16	2			2	87	85	172	Northampton Co. 1905
	44	2	6	52	2		5	7	110	246	356	Northampton Co. 1844
	10	5		15	4	5	2	11	146	179	325	Northampton Co. 1859
Cross Roads	12	2	1	15	5	2	2	9	121	133	254	Bertie Co. 1874
ville	5	1	1	7	7	2	4	13	76	76	152	Hertford Co. 1875
	1	15	2	18	26		3	29	64	73	137	Northampton Co. 1856
	4	5	1	10	2			2	49	41	90	Bertie Co. 1885
rove		1		1	4	2		6	64	88	152	Bertie Co. 1804
prings	6	5		11		1		1	25	42	67	Hertford Co. 1907
	3	1		4	1			1	40	48	88	Northampton Co. 1882
	20	2	4	26	3	3		6	81	102	183	Bertie Co. 1898
e's	3	3		6	1		3	4	57	72	129	Northampton Co. 1906
	19	7	1	27	8	2	7	17	145	138	283	Bertie Co. 1874
tsville	5	13	3	21	16	2	2	20	107	118	225	Bertie Co. 1883
ill	7	2		9	7		3	10	26	31	57	Northampton Co. 1889
	3	9	5	17	51	5	3	59	220	224	444	Bertie Co. 1854
		6		6	11	5	2	18	170	200	370	Hertford Co. 1729
nel	7			7	1		4	5	90	122	212	Northampton Co. 1826
or	3	3		6	28	2	2	38	169	163	282	Hertford Co. 1839
boro	6	8		14	8	1	1	10	36	75	111	Hertford Co. 1843
	7	10		17	2	1		3	44	34	78	Hertford Co. 1908
ill												Bertie Co. 1910
ve	5		1	6	7	4	2	13	55	76	131	Hertford Co. 1894
est	1			1					20	34	54	Northampton Co. 1888
	13	4	2	19	40	1	1	42	141	111	252	Northampton Co. 1808
Grove	5	7	4	16	9	1	5	15	110	172	282	Hertford Co. 1837
an		6		6	15	2	2	19	176	230	406	Bertie Co. 1803
are		1	1	2	6	3	2	11	78	106	184	Northampton Co. 1854
	8			8	2		1	3	40	61	101	Northampton Co. 1885
	3			3	7	3		10	25	36	61	Bertie Co. 1878
Chapel	4	2	2	8	11	4	4	19	102	176	278	Northampton Co. 1848
	15	5	5	25	3	2	6	11	334	487	821	Bertie Co. 1804
un	29	9	2	40	4		3	7	175	199	374	Bertie Co. 1750
	2			2	8		1	2	70	80	150	Northampton Co. 1889
	7		2	9	1		2	54	57	111	268	Northampton Co. 1896
	2	3	1	6	2	1	3	6	86	68	154	Hertford Co. 1833
s	6	5	3	14	10		2	12	74	94	168	Hertford Co. 1885
	3	1		4	11	3	2	16	82	86	168	Hertford Co. 1873
		11		11	2		1	3	79	100	179	Northampton Co. 1902
	5	2		7	12	1	2	15	70	83	153	
	436	395	75	906	504	83	123	710	5,301	6,587	11888	

CHURCH STATISTICS—CONTINUED.

Churches.	Pastors.	Clerks and Post-offices.	Value of Church Property.	Seating Capacity.	Sabbath of Preaching.
Ahoskie.....	M. A. Adams.....	Robt. Holloman, Ahoskie.....	\$10,000	800	2d and 4
Aulander.....	R. L. Gay.....	W. H. Mitchell, Aulander.....	4,000	450	Every S
Ashley's Grove.....	D. Cale.....	J. K. Revel, Conway.....	600	---	2d.
Bethlehem.....	J. D. Bruner.....	A. B. Adkins, Cofield.....	2,750	450	1st and
Bethany.....	M. A. Adams.....	W. W. Perry, Coleraine.....	1,200	450	1st.
Brantley's Grove.....	S. B. Barnes.....	B. F. Barham, Ahoskie.....	1,600	500	1st.
Buckhorn.....	J. H. Poteat.....	H. J. Vann, Como.....	2,300	350	2d and 4
Capeharts.....	T. T. Speight.....	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill.....	1,000	500	1st
Cashie.....	Q. C. Davis.....	W. R. Cobb, Windsor.....	2,500	---	Every S
Center Grove.....	S. B. Barnes.....	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.....	1,000	400	2d.
Chowan.....	A. C. Sherwood.....	T. D. Boone, Winton.....	3,500	400	1st and
Christian Harbor.....	F. A. Clark.....	J. H. Evans, Harrellsville.....	2,000	400	2d.
Coleraine.....	F. A. Clark.....	H. E. Wilson, Coleraine.....	6,000	800	1st and
Connaritsa.....	T. T. Speight.....	D. Taylor, Harrellsville.....	2,000	500	3d.
Creeksville.....	D. Cale.....	W. H. Davis, Conway.....	2,000	800	2d.
Conway.....	W. B. Waff.....	J. F. Martin, Conway.....	3,500	700	2d.
Elam.....	J. A. Speight.....	J. E. Daniel, Seaboard.....	1,000	500	3d.
Galatia.....	D. Cale.....	W. C. Smith, Seaboard.....	1,500	400	3d.
Green's Cross Roads.....	M. A. Adams.....	G. W. Castellow, Windsor.....	750	300	3d.
Harrellsville.....	F. A. Clark.....	D. Taylor, Harrellsville.....	2,000	200	2d and
Hebron.....	C. W. Scarborough.....	H. J. Vann, Woodland.....	---	---	4th.
Hillside.....	Q. C. Davis.....	D. C. White, Cahaba.....	600	200	4th.
Holly Grove.....	W. B. Waff.....	M. R. Barnes, Cremo.....	1,200	300	1st.
Holly Springs.....	S. B. Barnes.....	J. R. Wilder, Tunis.....	1,000	500	1st.
Jackson.....	A. Cree.....	Edwin Wright, Jackson.....	3,000	300	1st.
Kelford.....	T. T. Speight.....	C. L. Cobb, Kelford.....	2,500	400	2d.
Lasker.....	D. Cale.....	R. C. Lassiter, Lasker.....	3,000	250	4th.
Lawrence's.....	S. B. Barnes.....	J. M. Britt, Merry Hill.....	1,500	350	4th.
Lewiston.....	J. F. Cale.....	J. J. Peele, Lewiston.....	2,500	500	1st.
Margarettsville.....	W. B. Waff.....	Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville.....	---	---	---
Mars Hill.....	A. T. Howell.....	W. B. Miller, Coleraine.....	3,000	800	4th.
Meherin.....	C. P. Scott.....	J. J. Parker, Murfreesboro.....	2,000	1,000	---
Mt. Carmel.....	J. F. Cale.....	J. G. Joyner, Seaboard.....	1,000	300	3d.
Mt. Tabor.....	A. T. Howell.....	D. S. Parker, Winton.....	2,500	---	1st and
Murfreesboro.....	A. T. Howell.....	J. C. Scarborough, Murfreesboro.....	2,000	350	2d and
Menola.....	C. W. Scarborough.....	E. C. Parker, Woodland.....	4,000	500	3d.
Merry Hill.....	---	---	---	---	---
Oak Grove.....	M. A. Adams.....	S. E. Marsh, Aulander.....	1,000	500	2d and
Pine Forest.....	A. Cree.....	J. R. Carstarphen, Garysburg.....	1,000	400	2d.
Potecasi.....	A. T. Howell.....	E. B. Lassiter, Potecasi.....	2,000	600	2d.
Pleasant Grove.....	C. W. Scarborough.....	Miles Hughes, Annetta.....	---	---	2d.
Republican.....	T. T. Speight.....	A. V. Cobb, Windsor.....	---	---	4th.
Rich Square.....	J. F. Cale.....	J. T. Bolton, Rich Square.....	1,500	330	2d.
Roanoke.....	J. F. Cale.....	R. J. Britt, Rich Square.....	1,500	---	2d.
Roquist.....	Q. C. Davis.....	J. M. Yates, Windsor.....	500	500	1st and
Robert's Chapel.....	J. H. Poteat.....	W. J. Beale, Pendleton.....	2,000	600	2d.
Ross's.....	J. A. Speight.....	J. T. Hoggard, Windsor.....	3,000	1,000	4th.
Sandy Run.....	J. F. Cale.....	Paul Jilcott, Roxobel.....	2,500	500	4th.
Seaboard.....	A. Cree.....	B. S. Stancell, Seaboard.....	1,000	500	3d.
Siloam.....	W. F. Cale.....	S. H. Speller, Windsor.....	1,100	200	1st.
Severn.....	W. B. Waff.....	W. H. Howell, Severn.....	2,000	400	4th.
St. John's.....	D. Cale.....	S. E. Vaughan, Ahoskie.....	1,500	500	1st.
Union.....	A. C. Sherwood.....	John Freeman, Ahoskie.....	2,500	300	2d and
Winton.....	T. L. Brown.....	J. A. Clark, Winton.....	2,000	300	2d and
Woodland.....	C. W. Scarborough.....	Leuter McDaniel, Woodland.....	1,600	400	1st.
Total.....	---	---	107,700	21,650	---

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Volumes in Library.	Papers Taken.	Months kept Open.	Average Attendance.	Superintendents and Post-offices.
Ahoskie.....	14	190	204	---	413	12	120	W. L. Curtis, Ahoskie.
Aulander.....	11	200	111	40	240	12	150	E. C. Harrell, Aulander.
Ashley's Grove.....	12	97	109	12	118	12	71	C. R. Revel, Conway.
Bethlehem.....	11	69	80	214	140	9	37	W. A. Thomas, Cofield.
Bethany.....	9	124	133	50	330	9	53	W. C. Hughes, Coleraine.
Brantley's Grove.....	9	166	175	100	181	9	100	Geo. T. Hoggard, Ahoskie.
Buckhorn.....	9	135	144	148	225	12	65	R. A. Majette, Como.
Capehart's.....	8	92	100	50	100	12	78	H. J. Ward, Merry Hill.
Cashie.....	8	125	133	---	150	12	68	T. Gillam, Windsor.
Center Grove.....	7	71	78	---	110	9	45	C. S. Godwin, Ahoskie.
Chowan.....	8	75	88	---	80	12	---	J. E. Vann, Winton.
Christian Harbor.....	11	88	99	---	120	12	61	N. S. Hoggard, Harrellsville.
Coleraine.....	11	155	166	---	40	12	85	E. T. Forehand, Coleraine.
Connaritsa.....	7	78	85	---	90	9	51	J. S. Jenkins, Aulander.
Creeksville.....	14	134	148	10	50	12	90	Edwin Lassiter, Conway.
Conway.....	10	---	---	---	180	12	80	A. Lassiter, Conway.
Elam.....	8	133	141	---	130	12	46	C. L. Stephenson, Gumberry.
Galatia.....	13	87	100	---	400	12	70	J. R. Taylor, Margarettsville.
Green's Cross Roads.....	7	95	102	---	75	12	60	S. H. Mizelle, Windsor.
Harrellsville.....	6	48	54	---	90	12	30	B. F. Williams, Harrellsville.
Hebron.....	9	66	75	52	96	12	45	J. P. Griffin, Woodland.
Hillside.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Holly Grove.....	9	65	74	50	118	12	47	J. J. Taylor, Cremo.
Holly Springs.....	9	50	59	---	40	12	25	H. A. Piland, Tunis.
Jackson.....	11	41	52	45	86	12	35	P. J. Long, Jackson.
Kelford.....	8	61	75	75	80	12	52	J. E. Tyler, Kelford.
Lasker.....	9	111	120	---	100	12	80	W. R. Bridges, Lasker.
Lawrence's.....	35	210	245	50	200	9	125	J. W. Langdale, Merry Hill.
Lewiston.....	15	135	150	50	264	12	110	W. J. Barnes, Lewiston.
Margarettsville.....	10	59	60	---	85	12	---	C. E. Martin, Margarettsville.
Mars Hill.....	20	219	239	110	---	12	117	J. E. Jordan, Powellsville.
Meherin.....	14	80	94	30	135	12	65	J. H. Parker, Murfreesboro.
Mt. Carmel.....	14	70	84	81	118	12	48	T. J. Stephenson, Seaboard.
Mt. Tabor.....	14	94	103	8	275	12	74	J. W. Boone, Winton.
Murfreesboro.....	20	120	140	100	240	12	77	J. D. Babb, Murfreesboro.
Menola.....	7	70	77	---	81	12	40	H. W. Griffith, Menola.
Merry Hill.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Park Grove.....	9	65	74	---	98	12	35	A. E. Saunders, Aulander.
Pine Forest.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Potocasi.....	12	---	---	---	140	12	---	C. G. Powell, Potocasi.
Pleasant Grove.....	8	69	77	---	---	9	39	J. S. Hughes, Annetta.
Republican.....	12	160	172	65	151	12	75	A. V. Cobb, Windsor.
Rich Square.....	10	158	168	---	150	12	76	J. P. Holloman, Rich Square
Roanoke.....	8	79	87	36	90	12	50	W. J. Lassiter, Lasker.
Rogquist.....	8	50	58	---	70	4 1/2	30	J. B. Hoggard, Windsor.
Robert's Chapel.....	20	80	100	---	192	12	70	H. P. Stephenson, Pendleton.
Ross's.....	17	135	152	---	30	9	90	Worley Coward, Windsor.
Sandy Run.....	10	225	235	---	160	12	130	C. C. Tyler, Roxobel.
Seaboard.....	7	60	67	137	80	12	30	J. R. Crocker, Seaboard.
Seaboard.....	7	24	31	12	60	9	15	E. Leggett, Windsor.
Severn.....	25	123	148	---	192	12	82	J. L. Joyner, Severn.
St. John's.....	6	97	103	---	219	9	50	R. L. Edwards, Aulander.
Union.....	13	93	103	148	125	12	70	W. J. Vaughan, Ahoskie.
Winton.....	10	81	91	---	126	12	65	J. A. Clark, Winton.
Woodland.....	9	97	103	50	175	12	76	C. H. Griffin, Woodland.
Total.....	553	5,209	5,762	---	---	---	---	---

MISSIONARY SOCIETY AND SUNBEAM STATISTICS.

Churches.	Presidents of Missionary Societies and Post-offices.	Members.	Presidents or Leaders of Sunbeams and Post-offices.
Ahoskie.....	Mrs. Vara Hayes, Ahoskie.....	58	Mrs. T. D. Flythe, Ahoskie.....
Aulander.....	Mrs. Claud Grant, Aulander.....		
Ashley's Grove.....	Nealie M. Revel, Conway.....		
Bethlehem.....	Mrs. R. P. Thomas, Cofield.....		
Bethany.....			
Brantley's Grove.....	Mrs. J. A. Green, Ahoskie.....	100	
Buckhorn.....	Mrs. S. D. Howell, Como.....	30	Miss Josephine Vann, Como.....
Capehart's.....	Mrs. G. A. Harden, Windsor.....	60	
Cashie.....			Viola D. Hayes, Windsor.....
Center Grove.....			
Choway.....	Mrs. Lula Davenport, Winton.....	41	Mrs. Mattie Taylor, Winton.....
Christian Harbor.....	Willie D. Winborn, Harrellsville.....	25	
Coleraine.....	Mrs. T. E. Beasley, Coleraine.....	20	Mrs. D. R. Britton, Coleraine.....
Connaritsa.....			
Creeksville.....	Martha Martin, Conway.....	84	
Conway.....	Mrs. M. I. Sykes, Conway.....	18	Paul Sykes, Conway.....
Elam.....			
Galatia.....	Mrs. D. W. Taylor, Seaboard.....	76	
Green's Cross Roads.....	Janie Mizelle, Merry Hill.....	40	
Harrellsville.....	Mrs. A. C. Williams, Harrellsville.....	16	
Hebron.....	K. N. Griffin, Woodland.....	24	Eston Griffin, Woodland.....
Hillside.....			
Holly Grove.....	Miss Lillie Holloman, Cremona.....	43	Miss Sallie Vaughan, Powellsville.....
Holly Springs.....	Jennie V. Scott, Tunis.....	48	
Jackson.....	Mrs. S. J. Calvert, Jackson.....	6	Mrs. L. J. Bradley, Jackson.....
Kelford.....	Mrs. M. W. Harrell, Kelford.....	14	Miss Inez Tyler, Kelford.....
Lasker.....	Mrs. Annie Whiner, Lasker.....	39	Miss Nita Lassiter, Lasker.....
Lawrence's.....	Miss Lizzie Langdale, Merry Hill.....	53	
Lewiston.....	Mrs. H. B. Clark, Lewiston.....	38	Miss Goldie Bazemore, Lewiston.....
Margarettesville.....			
Mars Hill.....	Glennie Harrell, Coleraine.....	24	W. M. Swaim, Coleraine.....
Meherrin.....	Mrs. J. C. Chitty, Murfreesboro.....	25	
Mt. Carmel.....	Miss Bettie McGlaughan, Seaboard.....	45	
Mt. Tabor.....	Mrs. E. B. Vaughan, Winton.....	40	Mrs. E. P. Benthall.....
Murfreesboro.....	Mrs. D. A. Day, Murfreesboro.....	25	Arthur Bruner, Murfreesboro.....
Menola.....	Bessie Parker, Menola.....	18	Olivia Vinson, Menola.....
Merry Hill.....			
Oak Grove.....	Mrs. W. M. Marsh, Aulander.....	12	
Pine Forest.....			
Potecasi.....	Mrs. C. R. Harrell, Potecasi.....	31	Gladys Lassiter, Potecasi.....
Pleasant Grove.....			
Republican.....	Miss Blanche Pritchard, Aulander.....	31	Miss Bessie Lassiter, Aulander.....
Rich Square.....	Mrs. J. P. Lassiter, Rich Square.....	24	
Roanoke.....	Mrs. W. J. Hedgepeth, Rich Square.....	55	
Roquist.....			
Robert's Chapel.....	Mary L. Woodard, Severn.....	46	
Ross's.....			
Sandy Run.....	Mrs. G. Harrell, Roxobel.....	20	Claudine Gillikin, Roxobel.....
Seaboard.....	Mrs. J. T. Maddrey, Seaboard.....	20	
Siloam.....			
Severn.....	Mrs. Wm. Boone, Severn.....	20	Jessie White, Severn.....
St. John's.....	Mrs. W. P. Britton, Aulander.....	70	
Union.....	Mrs. Nettie Charles, Ahoskie.....		Miss May Tayloe, Ahoskie.....
Winton.....	Mrs. S. P. Taylor, Winton.....	24	Miss Jimmie Piland, Winton.....
Woodland.....	Mrs. C. W. Scarborough, Woodland.....	36	Sibyl Harrell, Woodland.....

CHURCH EXPENSES.

Churches.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Building and Repairs.	Poor Fund.	Minute Fund.	Sunday School Expenses.	Total.
Ahoskie.....	\$ 450.00	\$ 174.45	\$1,497.00	\$ 87.02	\$ 3.00	\$ 76.03	\$2,277.53
Aulander.....	1,000.00	147.34	40.00	29.00		30.63	1,246.97
Ashley's Grove.....	100.00	2.00			1.23	28.00	131.23
Bethlehem.....	216.00	21.00	25.75	28.30	2.50	11.00	304.55
Bethany.....	175.00	100.00		25.88	1.50	7.03	307.94
Brantley's Grove.....	125.00	6.00	36.00	15.25	2.50	59.33	244.08
Buckhorn.....	500.00	34.43	315.00		2.25	27.69	879.37
Capehart's.....	200.00	21.00		44.46	2.50	14.30	282.26
Cashie.....	1,000.00	117.88		20.00	2.50	82.20	1,222.58
Center Grove.....	175.00	24.00			2.00	18.45	219.45
Chowan.....	400.00	75.00	719.50	7.13	2.00	33.19	1,236.82
Christian Harbor.....	175.00	33.00	30.89		1.50	18.13	258.52
Goleraine.....	450.00			11.10	2.50		463.60
Connaritsa.....	200.00	43.61	180.57	30.81	2.50		457.49
Creeksville.....	125.00	15.00		10.00	1.50		151.50
Conway.....	200.00	28.96	618.66	25.65	3.00	40.54	916.81
Elam.....	200.00	30.00			2.00	16.80	248.80
Galatia.....	151.00	20.00	36.00	42.00	2.00	12.00	262.00
Green's Cross Roads.....	181.00	35.75	29.10		1.00	17.40	263.25
Harrellsville.....	275.00	116.50	10.00	4.65	2.00	12.00	420.15
Hebron.....	200.00	60.00			2.00	30.00	292.00
Hillside.....	100.00	14.75					114.75
Holly Grove.....	175.00	18.00		5.55	3.00	20.50	222.05
Holly Springs.....	65.00					1.00	66.00
Jackson.....	200.00	91.50			1.00	52.19	344.69
Kelford.....	200.00	36.00			2.00	30.00	268.00
Lasker.....	125.00	20.00		14.00		32.00	191.00
Lawrence's.....	215.00	37.00			2.20	35.48	289.68
Lewiston.....	250.00	61.50		20.00	3.00	38.94	370.44
Margarettsville.....	150.00	20.00	31.25	2.60	1.00		203.85
Mars Hill.....	250.00	4.25		36.54	1.50	15.42	306.21
Meherrin.....	350.00	52.46	55.00	3.81	2.50		463.77
Mt. Carmel.....	200.00	15.00		18.00	1.50	16.42	249.42
Mt. Tabor.....	450.00	40.00		12.98	2.13	34.71	499.82
Murfreesboro.....	400.00	110.32	21.05		1.50	73.57	606.44
Menola.....	200.00	95.00			1.75	63.24	358.24
Merry Hill.....							
Oak Grove.....	150.00	20.90		4.90	1.00	23.00	209.80
Pine Forest.....	100.00				.50		100.50
Potecasi.....	225.00	49.00	21.25	7.35		21.85	324.45
Pleasant Grove.....	200.00	35.00	35.00	2.50	2.00	8.50	283.00
Republican.....	200.00	21.47		52.10	3.00	17.77	294.34
Rich Square.....	200.00	20.00	250.00	25.00	1.50	30.00	525.00
Roanoke.....	150.00				1.50	27.30	178.30
Roquist.....	75.00				1.00		75.75
Robert's Chapel.....	375.00	80.32		6.25	3.00	18.70	485.27
Ross's.....	200.00	27.00		77.86	3.00	10.32	318.18
Sandy Run.....	200.00	1.90		10.00	3.00	65.02	279.92
Seaboard.....	200.00	35.00			1.00	12.00	247.00
Silbam.....	100.00	6.00			1.00	5.00	112.00
Severn.....	200.00	81.24	17.60	10.91	2.50	35.32	347.57
St. John's.....	175.00	12.00	170.00	14.17	1.55		372.57
Union.....	400.00	81.18		11.37	3.00	24.71	520.26
Winton.....	350.00	48.00	602.15		1.50	35.05	1,035.20
Woodland.....	200.00	106.55		9.56	2.00	55.25	373.36
Total.....	13,528.00	2,347.26	4,741.77	736.90	98.36	1,330.04	18,482.33

FINANANCIAL TABLE—SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Churches.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Sunday School Missions.	Orphanage.	Associational Missions.	Other Objects.	Total.
Ahoskie.....	\$ 8.28	\$ 3.90	\$	\$	\$ 100.00		\$ 13.28	\$ 100.00
Aulander.....					90.00			105.43
Ashley's Grove.....					5.70			5.70
Bethlehem.....	3.44	3.43	3.43		30.00			46.30
Bethany.....					5.15		3.30	8.95
Brantley's Grove.....								
Buckhorn.....			7.02		104.01		4.72	115.75
Capehart's.....								
Cashie.....	18.48		6.68		60.00			84.56
Center Grove.....					59.60		28.00	87.60
Chowan.....	4.07	3.25	3.25	5.71	120.00		5.50	141.78
Christian Harbor.....	2.00	3.00	1.00		17.48		1.00	24.48
Coleraine.....	5.00	3.05	3.05	4.37	57.43		2.45	75.35
Connaritsa.....					10.00			10.00
Creeksville.....					21.48			27.13
Conway.....			5.55		61.66			66.66
Elam.....				5.00				
Galatia.....								
Green's Cross Roads.....				2.65	6.80			9.45
Harrellsville.....					30.00			30.00
Hebron.....				6.42	35.00			41.42
Hillside.....								
Holly Grove.....					4.00		3.00	7.00
Holly Springs.....								
Jackson.....					25.92			25.92
Kelford.....				2.00	56.61		40.12	98.73
Lasker.....								
Lawrence's.....					12.00		2.00	14.00
Lewiston.....					63.50			63.50
Margarettesville.....				1.00	8.00		1.51	10.51
Mars Hill.....	16.00	5.00			18.11			39.11
Meherrin.....	2.70				12.00		3.00	17.70
Mt. Carmel.....				2.32	30.74			33.06
Mt. Tabor.....					63.85		3.00	66.85
Murfreesboro.....	4.99	6.71		2.34	32.30			46.34
Menola.....					36.00			36.00
Merry Hill.....								
Oak Grove.....								
Pine Forest.....								
Potecasi.....	25.00	6.00			60.57		5.00	96.57
Pleasant Grove.....								
Republican.....	2.38				26.00		2.25	30.63
Rich Square.....								
Roanoke.....					11.66			11.66
Roquist.....								
Robert's Chapel.....	8.07	7.88	11.22		82.93		9.87	119.97
Ross's.....								
Sandy Run.....				4.24				4.24
Seaboard.....					20.00			20.00
Siloam.....								
Severn.....				3.19	62.48		4.00	69.67
St. John's.....					3.00			3.00
Union.....								
Winton.....	16.43				14.00			30.43
Woodland.....	19.00			3.47	75.79		3.00	101.26
Total.....	136.84	36.22	39.60	43.11	1,533.77		107.00	1,896.54

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.						SUNBEAMS.				
	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Other Objects.	Total.
le.....	\$25.86	\$30.00	\$49.45	\$21.36*	\$10.00	\$ 153.62	\$ 3.65	\$-----	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ 7.65
der.....	30.00	44.23	35.00	16.95	-----	134.23	7.00	7.00	18.00	32.00	-----
's Grove.....	15.60	6.90	8.25	-----	-----	30.75	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
hem.....	3.00	2.75	4.05	-----	-----	9.80	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
oy.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
ey's Grove.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
orn.....	52.83	13.15	34.85	-----	1.25	107.08	12.53	3.00	8.61	.10	24.24
art's.....	6.00	22.35	-----	-----	-----	28.35	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Grove.....	15.00	20.00	36.45	100.00	2.00*	173.45	5.74	7.00	3.05	5.00	20.79
n.....	51.00	37.00	51.00	8.00	11.77	158.77	12.00	10.95	9.85	18.75	51.55
an Harbor.....	7.00	-----	4.50	-----	-----	11.50	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
ine.....	16.87	2.00	20.06	-----	-----	38.93	4.10	-----	9.08	-----	13.18
ritsa.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
ville.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
y.....	2.30	2.00	9.35	10.24	-----	23.89	2.20	.80	-----	-----	3.00
.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Cross Roads.....	2.75	3.30	-----	-----	-----	6.05	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
ville.....	9.30	5.40	5.40	-----	10.60	30.70	12.86	2.00	3.58	-----	18.43
.....	3.15	5.50	7.60	-----	-----	16.25	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Grove.....	12.25	6.05	11.85	-----	1.50	32.10	.89	1.15	.70	.48	3.22
prings.....	-----	5.35	3.00	-----	-----	8.35	-----	4.50	-----	-----	4.50
.....	9.25	9.00	9.00	-----	-----	28.00	6.25	5.50	4.75	1.50	18.00
ce's.....	3.00	-----	8.65	-----	-----	11.65	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
n.....	1.50	3.00	4.50	-----	-----	9.00	1.03	1.04	-----	-----	2.07
ettsville.....	2.70	1.66	4.43	-----	4.30	14.34	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
ill.....	-----	-----	2.00	-----	-----	2.00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
n.....	-----	13.01	10.43	-----	-----	23.44	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
mel.....	5.51	6.97	8.67	-----	-----	21.15	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
or.....	12.50	91.32	22.66	-----	2.30	128.78	3.33	5.98	9.72	-----	19.03
sboro.....	18.67	18.80	27.96	-----	5.13	70.57	8.77	4.84	2.70	1.18	17.49
fill.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
ve.....	5.38	7.12	4.45	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	16.95
rest.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Grove.....	24.23	19.61	13.30	-----	-----	57.14	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
can.....	8.75	8.60	9.50	-----	20.00	46.85	4.90	2.45	-----	6.75	14.10
quare.....	5.00	15.95	11.72	-----	6.60	39.27	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
e.....	10.00	7.00	-----	2.55	-----	19.55	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Chapel.....	8.64	2.50	5.00	-----	-----	16.14	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
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Chun.....	5.20	2.20	5.08	14.00	-----	26.48	2.99	1.91	1.44	-----	6.34
d.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
s.....	5.60	14.11	10.40	-----	-----	30.11	1.60	2.00	1.28	16.37	20.25
.....	5.00	20.00	14.00	-----	14.30	83.30	7.65	7.44	7.06	2.00	24.15
.....	15.20	20.00	20.00	-----	12.40	65.25	-----	-----	-----	-----	2.27
d.....	20.20	23.55	27.85	-----	-----	71.60	1.77	-----	.50	-----	-----
.....	424.54	480.38	500.41	198.10	102.15	1,705.58	99.26	67.56	82.31	86.13	335.26

FINANCIAL TABLE—CHURCHES IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

Churches.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Colleges and Schools.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Sunday School Missions.	Other Objects.	
Ahoskie.....	\$ 100.00	\$ 58.13	\$ 92.58	\$ 128.54	\$ 10.00	\$25.00	\$ 5.00	\$-----	\$ 87.92	\$ 1.
Aulander.....	125.25	137.12	133.71	115.00	575.00	25.59	20.70	-----	60.39	
Ashley's Grove.....	25.60	11.90	18.25	5.70	-----	-----	2.72	-----	2.10	
Bethlehem.....	60.00	22.00	55.00	60.00	106.00	22.00	5.00	-----	51.80	
Bethany.....	25.00	20.00	25.00	5.65	-----	5.00	5.00	-----	60.92	
Brantley's Grove.....	25.00	25.00	25.00	11.44	-----	5.00	5.00	-----	15.57	
Buckhorn.....	160.36	66.15	150.48	175.01	-----	25.00	27.12	-----	7.93	
Capehart's.....	61.00	25.00	67.35	23.97	-----	6.00	5.00	-----	60.88	
Cashie.....	100.00	33.53	100.00	194.18	-----	20.00	5.00	-----	33.10	
Center Grove.....	41.00	20.00	31.00	59.00	-----	8.00	7.00	-----	91.00	
Chowan.....	154.07	106.00	110.00	242.25	340.00	35.00	10.00	5.71	29.27	1.
Christian Harbor.....	30.00	25.00	30.00	47.03	-----	5.00	5.00	-----	46.89	
Coleraine.....	75.97	40.05	93.19	90.18	-----	17.70	10.00	4.37	8.40	
Connaritsa.....	32.50	25.00	30.00	66.40	-----	10.00	5.00	-----	-----	
Creeksville.....	10.00	26.00	20.00	18.00	-----	10.00	5.00	-----	5.00	
Conway.....	39.50	27.80	50.00	38.77	-----	7.00	3.00	5.00	82.82	
Elam.....	22.50	15.00	25.00	77.71	-----	-----	5.00	-----	-----	
Galatia.....	25.00	16.00	25.00	-----	-----	3.00	2.00	2.65	17.50	
Green's Cross Roads.....	27.75	15.00	22.00	14.80	-----	6.00	5.00	-----	5.30	
Harrellsville.....	62.16	29.40	48.97	41.50	5.30	-----	5.00	-----	7.00	
Hebron.....	28.15	23.56	32.60	51.00	-----	1.00	2.00	6.42	-----	
Hillside.....	10.00	5.00	8.00	10.00	-----	10.00	6.00	-----	57.10	
Holly Grove.....	43.64	27.20	37.55	20.25	-----	3.00	2.00	-----	35.00	
Holly Springs.....	12.00	8.00	8.00	-----	-----	5.01	6.50	-----	67.37	
Jackson.....	25.00	27.85	23.00	25.92	-----	7.00	5.00	2.00	-----	
Kelford.....	50.50	49.50	48.75	71.61	33.00	3.00	2.50	-----	65.42	
Lasker.....	15.00	10.00	12.00	43.54	-----	6.00	5.00	-----	12.00	
Lawrence's.....	35.00	15.00	35.00	21.74	-----	10.00	10.10	-----	25.81	
Lewiston.....	52.53	29.04	44.50	63.50	-----	6.00	4.00	1.00	48.51	
Margarettsville.....	18.70	17.66	24.43	20.30	-----	15.00	10.00	-----	-----	
Mars Hill.....	66.10	45.00	102.25	95.52	25.00	13.00	5.00	-----	24.00	
Meherrin.....	42.70	38.01	50.43	31.85	33.33	6.00	3.00	2.32	59.26	
Mt. Carmel.....	33.51	21.97	38.67	30.70	-----	10.00	6.42	-----	16.42	
Mt. Tabor.....	51.09	116.79	61.00	135.26	127.95	15.00	5.00	2.51	-----	
Murfreesboro.....	51.43	55.35	55.66	56.30	3.71	6.00	3.00	-----	-----	
Menola.....	20.00	15.00	15.00	36.00	-----	7.00	2.50	-----	35.40	
Merry Hill.....	-----	-----	-----	10.00	-----	17.00	5.22	-----	10.13	
Oak Grove.....	21.38	26.12	24.45	-----	-----	5.00	5.00	-----	38.00	
Pine Forest.....	15.00	3.09	4.16	153.64	-----	10.00	5.00	-----	5.25	
Potecest.....	116.73	68.11	43.00	35.28	-----	7.00	-----	-----	41.55	
Pleasant Grove.....	35.00	20.00	35.00	86.75	20.00	10.00	11.60	-----	-----	
Republican.....	41.03	31.05	39.50	66.00	-----	2.00	3.20	-----	-----	
Rich Square.....	30.00	35.95	36.72	16.76	1.40	-----	-----	-----	125.88	
Roanoke.....	10.00	7.00	10.00	-----	-----	6.00	5.00	-----	50.54	
Roquist.....	2.50	2.50	3.00	-----	-----	5.00	4.00	-----	8.81	
Robert's Chapel.....	76.71	45.38	86.72	82.93	-----	-----	-----	-----	26.00	
Ross's.....	50.00	25.00	35.00	10.75	-----	4.00	8.00	4.24	103.85	
Sandy Run.....	43.19	34.11	41.52	83.64	-----	20.00	50.00	-----	16.00	
Seaboard.....	22.00	12.00	16.00	30.00	-----	26.40	-----	-----	112.76	
Siloam.....	5.00	2.50	2.50	13.00	-----	8.00	3.00	3.47	4.40	
Severn.....	54.51	46.11	86.68	118.85	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
St. John's.....	20.00	10.00	25.00	3.00	26.78	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Union.....	75.00	70.00	74.00	75.00	10.00	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Winton.....	54.69	35.26	41.90	16.73	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Woodland.....	68.97	48.55	53.35	105.79	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Total.....	2,499.72	1,764.78	2,397.87	3,127.19	1,316.47	495.70	323.58	42.88	1,663.38	1

PLEDGES FOR 1910.

Churches.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief	Endowment for Chowan College.
Ahoskie.....	\$ 100.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 65.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -----
Aulander.....	80.00	75.00	75.00	25.00	20.00	-----
Bethlehem.....	60.00	22.00	55.00	22.00	5.00	11.00
Bethany.....	25.00	20.00	25.00	5.00	5.00	-----
Brantley's Grove.....	25.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	5.00	-----
Buckhorn.....	90.00	50.00	100.00	25.00	10.00	35.00
Capehart's.....	55.00	25.00	40.00	6.00	5.00	-----
Cashie.....	100.00	25.00	100.00	20.00	5.00	-----
Center Grove.....	41.00	20.00	31.00	8.00	2.00	-----
Chowan.....	150.00	100.00	110.00	35.00	10.00	25.00
Christian Harbor.....	30.00	25.00	30.00	5.00	5.00	-----
Coleraine.....	50.00	35.00	65.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
Connaritsa.....	32.50	25.00	30.00	10.00	5.00	-----
Creeksville.....	20.00	10.00	20.00	3.00	2.00	-----
Conway.....	35.00	25.00	35.00	10.00	5.00	25.00
Elam.....	22.50	15.00	25.00	7.00	3.00	-----
Galatia.....	25.00	16.00	25.00	5.00	2.00	-----
Green's Cross Roads.....	25.00	15.00	22.00	3.00	2.00	-----
Harrellsville.....	40.00	21.00	40.00	6.00	-----	-----
Hebron.....	25.00	18.00	25.00	6.00	5.00	-----
Hillside.....	10.00	5.00	8.00	2.00	1.00	-----
Holly Grove.....	27.00	20.00	25.00	10.00	5.00	-----
Holly Springs.....	12.00	8.00	8.00	3.00	2.00	-----
Jackson.....	25.00	18.00	20.00	5.00	5.00	25.00
Kelford.....	35.00	35.00	35.00	7.00	5.00	25.00
Lasker.....	15.00	10.00	12.00	3.00	2.50	-----
Lawrence's.....	35.00	15.00	35.00	6.00	5.00	-----
Lewiston.....	50.00	25.00	40.00	10.00	10.00	-----
Margarettsville.....	16.00	16.00	20.00	6.00	4.00	10.00
Mars Hill.....	50.00	40.00	100.00	10.00	5.00	-----
Meherrin.....	36.50	30.00	35.50	20.50	5.00	-----
Mount Carmel.....	28.00	15.00	30.00	6.00	3.00	-----
Mount Tarbor.....	45.00	40.00	50.00	10.00	5.00	25.00
Murfreesboro.....	25.00	25.00	25.00	15.00	5.00	50.00
Menola.....	20.00	15.00	15.00	6.00	3.00	-----
Oak Grove.....	16.00	19.00	20.00	7.00	2.50	-----
Pine Forest.....	15.00	8.00	10.00	3.00	2.00	-----
Potecasi.....	60.00	35.00	30.00	12.00	5.00	-----
Pleasant Grove.....	35.00	20.00	35.00	10.00	5.00	-----
Republican.....	25.00	20.00	30.00	7.00	3.00	-----
Rich Square.....	35.00	20.00	25.00	10.00	5.00	-----
Roanoke.....	10.00	7.00	10.00	2.00	2.00	-----
Roquist.....	8.00	8.00	7.00	3.00	2.00	-----
Robert's Chapel.....	60.00	35.00	70.00	17.00	5.00	10.00
Ross's.....	56.00	25.00	35.00	6.00	5.00	-----
Sandy Run.....	35.00	30.00	35.00	10.00	5.00	-----
Seaboard.....	22.00	12.00	16.00	5.00	4.00	-----
Siloam.....	5.00	2.25	2.50	-----	-----	-----
Severn.....	40.00	20.00	75.00	15.00	5.00	30.00
St. John's.....	20.00	10.00	25.00	4.00	5.00	-----
Union.....	70.00	50.00	60.00	15.00	5.00	25.00
Winton.....	25.00	20.00	20.00	12.00	2.00	-----
Woodland.....	35.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	3.00	-----

The Association passed a resolution requesting the churches to let the above pledges be used as a minimum of benevolences for 1911, and to go as much above these pledges as possible.

STATISTICAL

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Churches.	President.	Secretary.	Members.
Ahoskie.....	Mrs. Ernest Hayes.....	Mrs. J. C. Jenkins.....	60
Aulander.....	Mrs. Claud Grant.....	Mrs. Claude Newsome.....	52
Bethlehem.....	Mrs. W. P. Thomas.....		31
Buckhorn.....	Mrs. S. D. Howell.....	Mrs. S. P. Winborne.....	38
Capehart's.....	Mrs. G. A. Harden.....	Miss Mattie Lee.....	25
Cashie.....	Mrs. J. H. White.....	Mrs. Abram Burden.....	40
Chowan.....	Mrs. Loula Davenport.....	Miss Dounie Ward.....	25
Christian Harbor.....	Mrs. Willie D. Winborne.....	Mrs. Minnie Newsome.....	16
Harrellsville.....	Mrs. A. C. Williams.....	Mrs. L. E. Copeland.....	24
Hebron.....	Mrs. J. P. Griffin.....	Miss Lizzie Beale.....	18
Kelford.....	Mrs. M. W. Harrell.....	Miss Mamie Jenkins.....	37
Meherrin.....	Mrs. J. C. Chitty.....	Mrs. A. J. Outland.....	45
Mt. Carmel.....	Miss Bettie McGlaughan.....	Miss Nellie Pruden.....	40
Mt. Tabor.....	Mrs. E. B. Vaughan.....	Mrs. J. H. Darden.....	21
Murfreesboro.....	Mrs. D. A. Day.....	Mrs. J. W. Hill.....	21
Menola.....	Miss Bessie Parker.....	Miss Ada Vinson.....	33
otecasi.....	Mrs. C. R. Harrell.....	Miss Lizzie Beale.....	23
Rich Square.....	Mrs. J. P. Lassiter.....	Mrs. E. A. Huggins.....	18
Sandy Run.....	Miss Eunice Watson.....	Mrs. Geo. L. Harrell.....	18
Severn.....	Mrs. Wm. Boone.....	Mrs. D. W. Watson.....	28
Union.....	Mrs. T. N. Charles.....	Miss May Tayloe.....	24
Winton.....	Miss Emma Lassiter.....	Mrs. W. B. Pollard.....	36
Woodland.....	Mrs. W. P. Benthall.....	Mrs. J. T. Griffin.....	

REPORT.

Y. W. A.			SUNBEAMS.		
President.	Secretary.	Members.	President.	Leader.	Members.
Miss Bessie Boyett.....	Mr. Herb't Copeland.....	21	Nancy Leary.....	Mrs. F. D. Flythe.....	50
.....			Lillian Chamblee.....	Mrs. Claud Grant.....	44
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.....			Annie S. Winborne.....	Miss Josephine Vann.....	44
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Miss Whittie Gurley.....		8	Gladys Brown.....	Mrs. E. L. Gatling.....	50
.....				Mrs. P. H. Taylor.....	50
.....					
.....			Lucile Williams.....	Mrs. A. C. Williams.....	28
.....			Eston Griffin.....	Mrs. P. M. Futrell.....	48
.....			Inez Tyler.....	Miss Mamie Jenkins.....	45
.....			Henderson Parker.....	Miss Ada Parker.....	.....
.....					
.....			Arthur C. Bruner.....	Mrs. J. B. Barnacascel.....	38
.....			Clevie Vinson.....	Miss Bessie Parker.....	32
.....			Gladys Lassiter.....	Miss Lizzie Beale.....	26
.....			Ivy Shoulars.....	Miss W. Lambertson.....	30
.....			Claudine Gillikin.....	Miss Julia Watson.....	50
.....			Ida Lou Futrell.....	Miss C. Stephenson.....	30
.....			Nellie Laurence.....	Miss May Tayloe.....	27
.....			Jimmie Piland.....	Mrs. J. S. Mitchell.....	20
.....			Sibyl Harrell.....	Mrs. R. C. Benthall.....	30

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE W. M. UNION OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION, FROM JUNE 30, 1909, TO JUNE 30, 1910.

(All Societies reporting at the meeting at Winton are here recorded.)

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Louisville Training School.	Margaret Home.	Orphanage.	Sunday School.	Local Church Work.	Other Objects.	Expense Fund.	Y. W. A.	Sunbeams.	Total.
Ahoskie.....	\$ 39.45	\$ 30.00	\$ 27.76	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 43.77	\$60.68	\$ 5.20	\$51.14	\$ 22.00	\$ 289.00
Aulander.....	62.25	21.10	25.00	7.90				9.15	3.50	3.25		30.85	191.00
Bethlehem.....													12.25
Buckhorn.....	34.60	19.15	63.31									16.01	134.32
Capehart's.....	7.25	8.75	12.25			6.46							34.71
Cashie.....									92.10		2.10	25.00	119.20
Chowan.....	36.00	39.70	60.00	5.00	2.00	8.00	2.00	10.00	1.02	3.40		51.00	218.12
Christian Harbor.....	5.00		5.00								10.00		10.00
Harrellsville.....	5.40	5.40	15.00		5.40					1.20		17.25	50.25
Hebron.....	4.70	5.45	3.15							1.15		6.52	19.97
Kelford.....	13.75	14.50	17.20		1.00	3.00				1.00		18.20	65.65
Meherrin.....	20.34	6.57								1.10			31.01
Mt. Carmel.....	6.75	5.25	6.18										18.18
Mt. Tabor.....	22.66	82.42	34.32							1.20		42.00	183.60
Murfreesboro.....	21.09	27.53	15.53	3.71						1.45		20.38	89.69
Menota.....	8.86	3.08	3.13									1.55	17.22
Potocasi.....	32.33	11.95	11.00	5.81						2.50		1.11	64.70
Rich Square.....	20.72	15.05	10.00		2.00	30.00	7.00			1.00		10.00	95.77
Sandy Run.....	5.03	2.20	5.20			14.00						4.44	30.92
Severn.....	7.80	16.71	4.55										43.16
Union.....	9.00	21.75	15.00			3.00		40.00		2.10		12.00	95.95
Winton.....	20.00	25.00	15.25	5.00				52.58	.60	1.80		20.03	140.26
Woodland.....	27.85	23.55	17.60						.95	1.40		3.86	75.21

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE WEST CHOWAN ASSOCIATION SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Preacher of the Introductory Sermon.	Text.
1883	Cashie, Bertie Co.	R. P. Thomas	W. C. Parker	D. A. Woodson	Rom. 1:16.
1884	Robert's Chapel, Northampton Co.	do	do	J. D. Hufham	Acts 20:24.
1885	Pleasant Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Psalms 16:8.
1886	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Heb. 13:1.
1887	Winton, Hertford Co.	do	do	B. B. Williams	Acts 20:35.
1888	Elam, Northampton Co.	do	do	M. L. Green	Gal. 6:10.
1889	Aulander, Bertie Co.	do	do	T. T. Speight	Gal. 6:10.
1890	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	C. W. Scarborough	Rom. 8:1.
1891	Union, Hertford Co.	do	do	T. G. Wood	Habakkuk 2:15.
1892	Mount Carmel, Northampton Co.	do	do	Braxton Craig	Num. 13:30.
1893	Coleraine, Bertie Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Col. 2:10.
1894	Mount Tabor, Hertford Co.	do	do	A. Cree	Col. 1:28.
1895	Sandy Run, Bertie Co.	do	do	J. B. Boone	Rom. 15:1, 2, 3.
1896	Brantley's Grove, Hertford Co.	do	do	R. D. Cross	Eph. 1:17, 18, 19, 20.
1897	Mars Hill, Bertie Co.	J. C. Scarboro	W. R. Raynor	do	Acts 5:29, 30, 31.
1898	Meherrin, Hertford Co.	do	do	McKaughn	Rom. 5:8, 8:32.
1899	Ahoskie, Hertford Co.	do	do	W. P. Jordan	Joel 3:14, 15, 16.
1900	Potecasi, Northampton Co.	do	do	J. A. Speight	Gal. 6:14.
1901	Capelhart, Bertie Co.	C. W. Mitchell	N. W. Britton	R. D. Cross	Heb. 4:6.
1902	Connartsa, Bertie Co.	do	do	G. P. Harrell	2 Cor. 9:6, 7.
1903	Buckhorn, Hertford Co.	do	do	D. Cale	Rev. 3:7 to 11.
1904	Ross, Bertie Co.	do	do	L. M. Curtis	Ex. 10:16, 28:19, 20.
1905	Hebron, Northampton Co.	do	do	A. T. Howell	Matt. 3:19, 26:26-28.
1906	Cashie, Bertie Co.	do	do	W. L. Britt	Heb. 13:1.
1907	Christian Harbor, Hertford Co.	do	do	M. A. Adams	Psalms 60:4.
1908	Aulander, Bertie Co.	W. P. Shaw	do	R. L. Gay	Song of Solomon 5:16.
1909	Bethlehem, Hertford Co.	do	do	A. T. Howell	Matt. 16:27.
1910	Rich Square, Northampton Co.	T. Gillam	do	R. D. Stephenson	I Cor. 15:3.
		do	do	Q. C. Davis	

The Woman's Missionary Union

The sixteenth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the West Chowan Association convened with the Chowan Church, Winton, N. C., July 27, 1910, with the President, Miss Elizabeth Parker, in the chair.

After singing "I Gave My Life For Thee," Mrs. J. C. Scarborough, of Murfreesboro, conducted the devotional exercises by reading a few verses from a portion of I Chronicles and leading in an earnest prayer for consecration. At the close of the hymn "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," Mrs. Loula Davenport, President of the Missionary Society of Chowan Church, gave the delegates and visitors a hearty welcome. Miss Emma Lassiter of Winton Baptist Church, Mrs. T. D. Story of the Methodist Church, and Miss Jessie Cooper of the Episcopal Church, with their cordial words made all feel at home within the bounds of the town of Winton. In words that showed their appreciation, Mrs. Ernest Hayes, of Ahsokie, and Mrs. E. B. Vaughan, of Mt. Tabor, responded to the welcome received.

When "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" had been sung, the minutes were read and approved with the name of Mrs. C. W. Harrell, of Woodland, inserted in the obituary report.

Under old business, the reading of the Constitution was given by Mrs. Claud Grant, of Aulander, and with some changes was adopted.

Mrs. Claud Grant moved that the President be always recognized, when a member desired to address the body. Unanimously carried.

Mrs. John Freeman, of Union, was thanked for the letters printed, which were intended to facilitate the work of the delegates.

On motion of Mrs. John Scarborough, the minutes of this meeting will be printed in the minutes of the West Chowan Association.

Mrs. S. D. Howell, of Como, moved that hereafter we dispense with the social hour. After some discussion it was carried.

Miss Parker made her annual report, showing the addition of some new societies but a little decrease in the financial affairs. This, she thought, was owing to the severe winter keeping so many country members from regular attendance to their societies.

The paper, "A Glimpse of the S. B. C.," by Mrs. E. L. Gatling, of Windsor showed that Mrs. Gatling had derived a wonderful blessing from her attendance to the Convention, some of which she shared with us through her retentive memory.

"Why Your Society Does Not Prosper," by Mrs. J. P. Griffin, of Woodland clearly defined that the unsuccessful society lacked (1) information; (2) co-operation; (3) Christianity.

After singing "Labon On," roll was called and the delegates responded by reading their letters.

Among the visitors at our meeting were Mrs. A. B. Justice, of Charlotte, N. C. Mrs. Jodie Savage and Mrs. P. A. Parker, of Whaleyville, Va.; Miss Mary Live more, of Red Springs, N. C., and Miss Laura Cox, of the Louisville Training School, all of whom responded to recognition by words of encouragement. Her the President appointed the committees, and after singing "A Work for Each we were dismissed for the morning session.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

For an hour we refreshed ourselves by partaking of all kinds of substantial foods, dainties and luxuries prepared for us by housekeepers renowned in their country for their hospitality; met old friends, acquired new ones, and then assembled in the church for the afternoon session. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. R. P. Thomas, of Bethlehem, who read from the 15th chapter of John and led in an earnest prayer.

The Sunbeams, under Mrs. H. F. Taylor, with instructive songs, readings and dialogues then entertained the Union. From the beginning when the two tiny Sunbeams, Estelle Clark of Chowan, and Dorothy Hale of Winton Baptist societies, with their baby lisp gave the sweet welcome; and little Sarah Harrell in equally babyish language responded, to the end of the programme, the Union thoroughly appreciated the leader and her bright band. Mrs. J. D. Bruner of Chowan College made a plea for the establishment of more Young Women's Auxiliaries in the Union.

Miss Laura Cox gave an instructive talk about the Louisville Training School, which was received with rapt attention, knowing as we did she is soon to leave her native land and labor in distant Mexico.

An address by Miss Mary Hoyland Livermore, of Red Springs, showed a heart full of love for her fellowmen, and made all have tender feelings for the "Country Tenant." Miss Livermore presented a phase of mission work that is new as "mission work," but as old as the days of Christ, for she is carrying out in her life's work "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Miss Livermore by living Christ is bringing into the hearts and homes of her humble friends the knowledge that the religion of Miss Mary's God brings joy and makes all believers in Him one united family.

Mrs. John Freeman explained some charts sent by Rev. V. I. Masters of the Home Board.

The Committee on Nominations reported as follows:

The Nomination Committee beg to report the following names for the ensuing year: For President, our present incumbent, Miss Elizabeth Parker; for Vice-president, Mrs. J. C. Scarborough; for Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. John Freeman.

MRS. S. D. HOWELL.

MRS. J. P. FREEMAN.

MISS BETTIE MCGLAUGHAN.

The report was adopted.

The Obituary Committee made the following report:

During the past year the following workers of our Union have been called to their eternal reward: Mrs. R. J. Baker, Ahoskie; Mrs. I. P. Newsome, Ahoskie; Mrs. J. A. Copeland, Union; Mrs. Isaac Snipes, Pleasant Grove; Miss Mollie Britton, Pleasant Grove; Mrs. W. R. Chitty, Meherrin; Mrs. Martha E. Ward, Chowan; Mrs. Jordan Edwards, Margarettsville.

We thank God for their work with us, and record their departure with deepest sorrow. Their labors begun here continue now through the inspiring influence of their lives.

May we ever bow in humble submission to the will of the Father when in His infinite wisdom He doth bereave us.

MISS EUNICE TYLER WATSON.

MRS. M. E. WIGGINS.

MRS. H. H. JONES.

After the adoption of this report, the Committee on Time and Place made their report.

The place of meeting—Woodland, Northampton County. Time—Wednesday after the fourth Sunday in July, 1911.

MRS. B. E. COPELAND.
MRS. E. A. HUGGINS.
MRS. C. B. POND.

Upon the adoption of this report the Union adjourned until the evening session. We were invited to reassemble at the Academy to enjoy the social hour. There we listened to talented young ladies give almost perfect renditions of vocal and instrumental music and excellent readings, after which dainty refreshments were served.

EVENING SESSION.

Music by the choir, followed by devotional exercises conducted by the pastor, Rev. A. C. Sherwood. Solo by Mr. James Mitchell of Chowan Church. Then the orator of the West Chowan Association, Rev. Q. C. Davis, of Windsor, N. C., in his inimitable style, held the large audience enthralled while he handled the subject of Missions under the heads: (1) Our Obligations to Missions; (2) Our Present Opportunities, as only a master can.

A collection was then taken up and a beautiful quartette sung.

The Committee on Resolutions, through Miss Nora Dukes, of Union, offered the following report:

Urged by the sense of gratitude that thrills the heart of every visitor in the town of Winton to-day, and prompted by the lone impulse to make known to these, our benefactors, our appreciation of their efforts to please our every fancy we, the committee appointed, beg to submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That to the Baptist, Methodist, Episcopalian, other denominations no denominations, and all of Winton, we extend for your gracious welcome our most hearty thanks and full appreciation, and assure you, you have indeed merited and won our lasting esteem by your genuine cordiality and sweet thoughtfulness of our every convenience, pleasure and comfort.

MISS ESSIE WYNNE.
MRS. J. T. WILLIAMS.
MRS. C. W. MITCHELL.

After the adoption of this report, one of the most successful sessions of the Woman's Missionary Union of the West Chowan Association closed with benediction by Rev. Q. C. Davis.

MARY ELIZABETH PARKER, *President*.
NETTIE OWEN FREEMAN, *Secretary*.

